# CREDITS:

## Bakeru-kun by Fujiko F. Fujio

**RAW Pravider: Ananymaus**
**Translatar: kaar1**
**Praafreader: Nabi Nabita**
**Editor: koor1**

Doko Demo Doa
manga scanlations

# パタくん

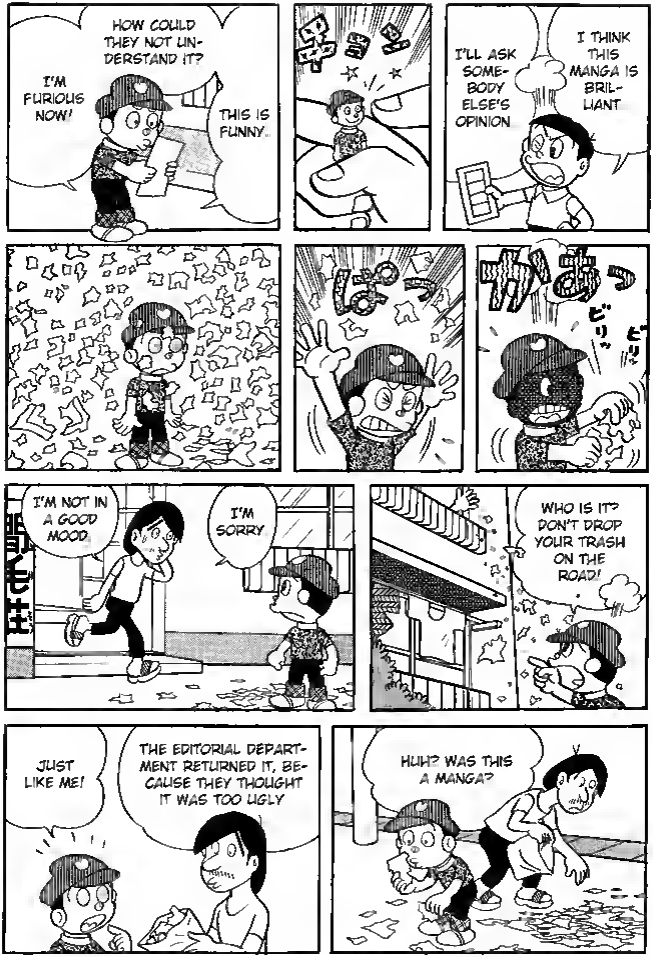
2

藤子不二雄

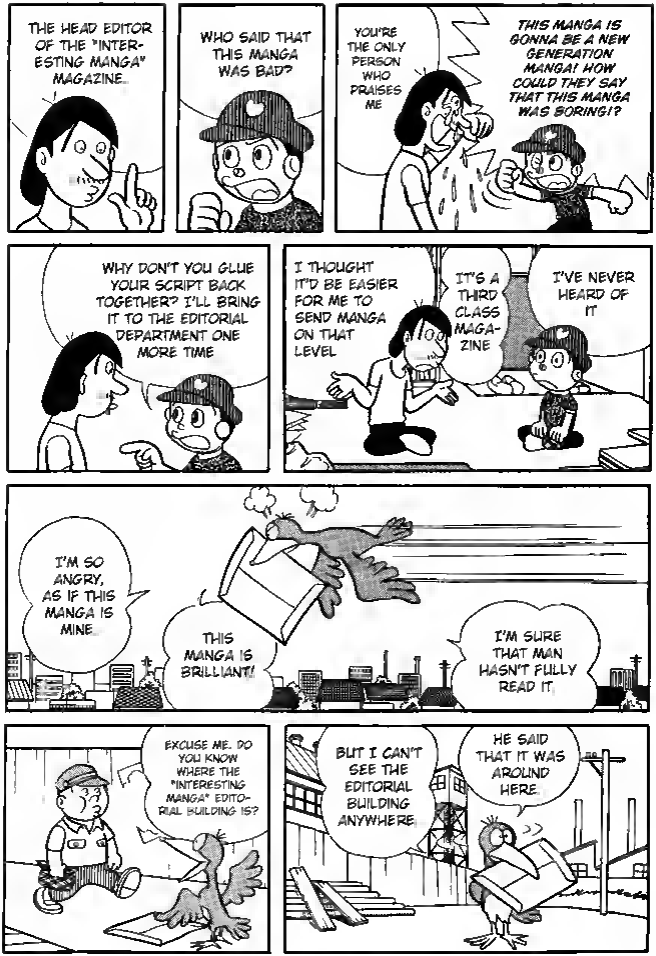
てんとう虫コミックス

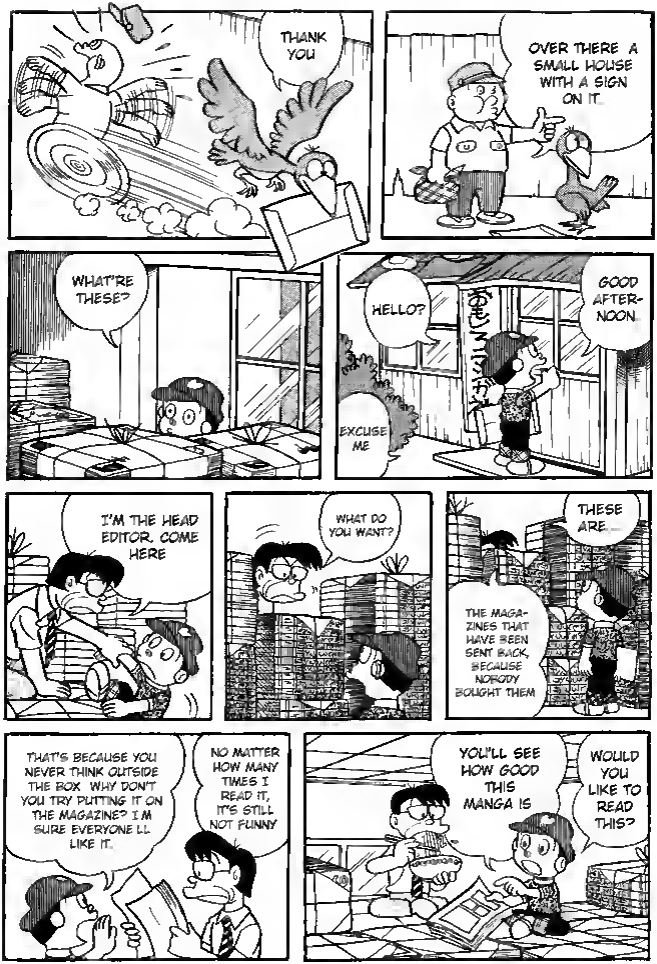
# A FAMOUS MANGAKA, KAWARU

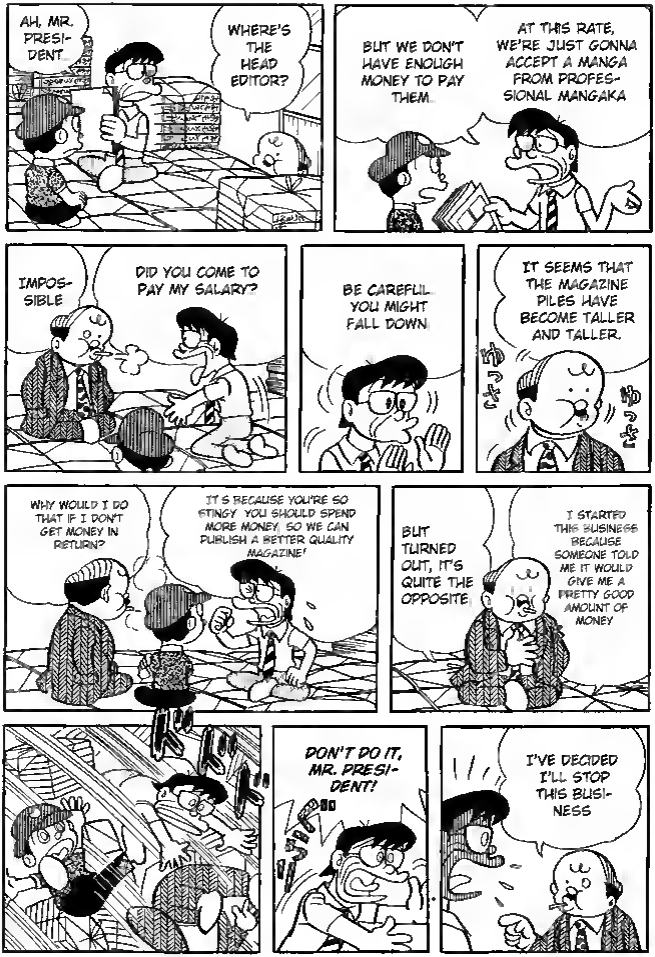
IS MY MANGA THAT FUNNY?
THEY'VE UNDERESTIMATED ME
THEY SAID THAT IT WAS TOO UGLY TO BE PUT ON THE SCHOOL PAPER.
WE LAUGH BECAUSE IT'S SO UGLY.
FUNNY? NO WAY.

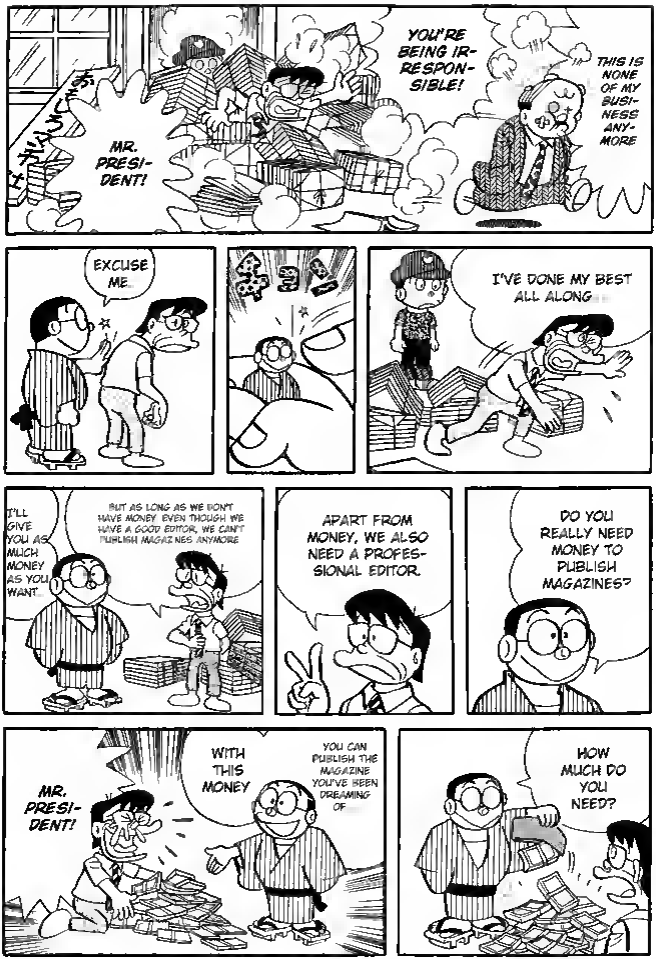

HOW COULD THEY NOT UNDERSTAND IT?
I'M FURIOUS NOW!
THIS IS FUNNY.
I'LL ASK SOMEBODY ELSE'S OPINION
I THINK THIS MANGA IS BRILLIANT
ぱっ
ビリッ
ビリッ
I'M NOT IN A GOOD MOOD.
I'M SORRY
WHO IS IT? DON'T DROP YOUR TRASH ON THE ROAD!
JUST LIKE ME!
THE EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT RETURNED IT, BECAUSE THEY THOUGHT IT WAS TOO UGLY
HUH? WAS THIS A MANGA?

NOBODY LIKES MY MANGA
I ALWAYS FAIL.
MAYBE I'M NOT TALENTED AFTER ALL
NO, NOT YET. NONE OF MY SCRIPTS HAS BEEN APPROVED UNTIL NOW.
SO YOU'RE A MANGAKA?
PLEASE GIVE ME THE NEXT PAGE
UM
THIS IS DIFFERENT FROM ORDINARY MANGA
UM.
SURE.
DO YOU WANNA READ IT?
SERIOUSLY!?
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I READ MANGA THIS GOOD.
HURRY!
THE NEXT PAGE.
UHM..
UHM.


THE HEAD EDITOR OF THE "INTERESTING MANGA" MAGAZINE
WHO SAID THAT THIS MANGA WAS BAD?
YOU'RE THE ONLY PERSON WHO PRAISES ME
THIS MANGA IS GONNA BE A NEW GENERATION MANGA! HOW COULD THEY SAY THAT THIS MANGA WAS BORING!?
WHY DON'T YOU GLUE YOUR SCRIPT BACK TOGETHER? I'LL BRING IT TO THE EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT ONE MORE TIME
I THOUGHT IT'D BE EASIER FOR ME TO SEND MANGA ON THAT LEVEL
IT'S A THIRD CLASS MAGAZINE
I'VE NEVER HEARD OF IT
I'M SO ANGRY, AS IF THIS MANGA IS MINE
THIS MANGA IS BRILLIANT!
I'M SURE THAT MAN HASN'T FULLY READ IT
EXCUSE ME. DO YOU KNOW WHERE THE "INTERESTING MANGA" EDITORIAL BUILDING IS?
BUT I CAN'T SEE THE EDITORIAL BUILDING ANYWHERE
HE SAID THAT IT WAS AROUND HERE


THANK YOU
OVER THERE A SMALL HOUSE WITH A SIGN ON IT.
WHAT'RE THESE?
HELLO?
EXCUSE ME
GOOD AFTER-NOON.
I'M THE HEAD EDITOR. COME HERE
WHAT DO YOU WANT?
THESE ARE...
THE MAGA-ZINES THAT HAVE BEEN SENT BACK, BECAUSE NOBODY BOUGHT THEM
THAT'S BECAUSE YOU NEVER THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX. WHY DON'T YOU TRY PUTTING IT ON THE MAGAZINE? I'M SURE EVERYONE'LL LIKE IT.
NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES I READ IT, IT'S STILL NOT FUNNY
YOU'LL SEE HOW GOOD THIS MANGA IS
WOULD YOU LIKE TO READ THIS?


AH, MR. PRESIDENT
WHERE'S THE HEAD EDITOR?
BUT WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH MONEY TO PAY THEM.
AT THIS RATE, WE'RE JUST GONNA ACCEPT A MANGA FROM PROFESSIONAL MANGAKA
IMPOSSIBLE
DID YOU COME TO PAY MY SALARY?
BE CAREFUL. YOU MIGHT FALL DOWN.
IT SEEMS THAT THE MAGAZINE PILES HAVE BECOME TALLER AND TALLER.
WHY WOULD I DO THAT IF I DON'T GET MONEY IN RETURN?
IT'S BECAUSE YOU'RE SO STINGY. YOU SHOULD SPEND MORE MONEY, SO WE CAN PUBLISH A BETTER QUALITY MAGAZINE!
BUT TURNED OUT, IT'S QUITE THE OPPOSITE.
I STARTED THIS BUSINESS BECAUSE SOMEONE TOLD ME IT WOULD GIVE ME A PRETTY GOOD AMOUNT OF MONEY
DON'T DO IT, MR. PRESIDENT!
I'VE DECIDED I'LL STOP THIS BUSINESS

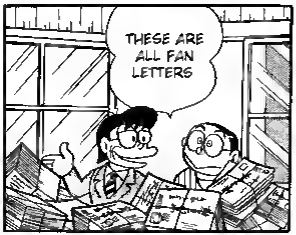

MR. PRESIDENT!
YOU'RE BEING IRRESPONSIBLE!
THIS IS NONE OF MY BUSINESS ANYMORE
EXCUSE ME.
I'VE DONE MY BEST ALL ALONG
I'LL GIVE YOU AS MUCH MONEY AS YOU WANT
BUT AS LONG AS WE DON'T HAVE MONEY EVEN THOUGH WE HAVE A GOOD EDITOR, WE CAN'T PUBLISH MAGAZINES ANYMORE
APART FROM MONEY, WE ALSO NEED A PROFESSIONAL EDITOR.
DO YOU REALLY NEED MONEY TO PUBLISH MAGAZINES?
MR. PRESIDENT!
WITH THIS MONEY
YOU CAN PUBLISH THE MAGAZINE YOU'VE BEEN DREAMING OF
HOW MUCH DO YOU NEED?

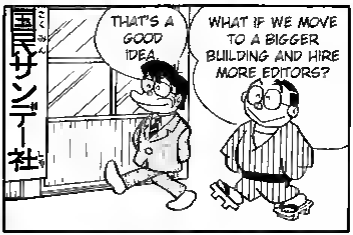
AS THE HEAD EDITOR, I PROMISE .
COUGH.
I'LL PUBLISH A GOOD MAGAZINE THAT EVERYONE WILL FIND IT WORTH TO BUY
WHERE DID YOU GET THESE PEOPLE?
LET'S START THIS MEETING RIGHT AWAY
SO, BEFORE PUBLISHING MAGAZINES, THERE'S A THING CALLED AN EDITORIAL MEETING, HUH?
MR. PRESI-DENT?
YOU CAN JUST PUBLISH THE MAGAZINE YOU LIKE YOU DON'T NEED TO THINK ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT PEOPLE WILL BUY IT
HUH?
YOU DON'T NEED TO GO THAT FAR.
ALSO THE ONE MADE BY THIS BOY NAMED KAWARU?
PLEASE PUBLISH THE MANGA OF THESE TWO MANGAKA
WHAT IS IT?
I HAVE ONE CON-DITION.
BUT...

I'LL BE LEAVING NOW I NEED TO FINISH MY HOMEWORK
YOU CAN COME TO HIS HOUSE TO PICK UP THE SCRIPT.
BUT IF MR. PRESIDENT ASKED ME TO DO IT...
I DON'T THINK THAT MANGA IS INTEREST-ING AT ALL
I HAVE TO BE HOME BEFORE HE ARRIVES!
IT'S SUGATA KAWARU
I'VE NEVER HEARD OF HIM
SUGATA-SENSEI?
DO YOU KNOW WHERE THE MANGAKA NAMED SUGATA SENSEI LIVES?
YOU
NO, I JUST NEED A FEW TO BEGIN WITH
SURE I'LL MAKE AS MANY PAGES AS YOU WANT ME TO
MY MANGA?
IMPOS-SIBLE!
YOU MEAN, KAWARU-SAN?

週刊国民サンデー
130円
創刊
すがたかワル作
カワバラくん
YOU SAID THAT MY MANGA WAS BAD, DIDN'T YOU?
KAWARU'S MANGA!
HEY! LOOK AT THIS MAGAZINE!
FINALLY, A TALENTED MANGAKA, KAWARU, HAS STARTED HIS DEBUT!
THAT MEANS THAT YOU DON'T KNOW WHICH MANGA IS GOOD AND WHICH ONE IS BAD. HAHAHA...

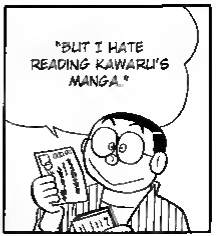
THIS IS LIKE A DREAM
AS A PRESIDENT, I'M SO PROUD OF YOU.
EVERYONE LOVES YOUR MANGA. OUR MAGAZINE IS A BIG SUCCESS


THESE ARE ALL FAN LETTERS


国民サンデー社
THAT'S A GOOD IDEA.
WHAT IF WE MOVE TO A BIGGER BUILDING AND HIRE MORE EDITORS?

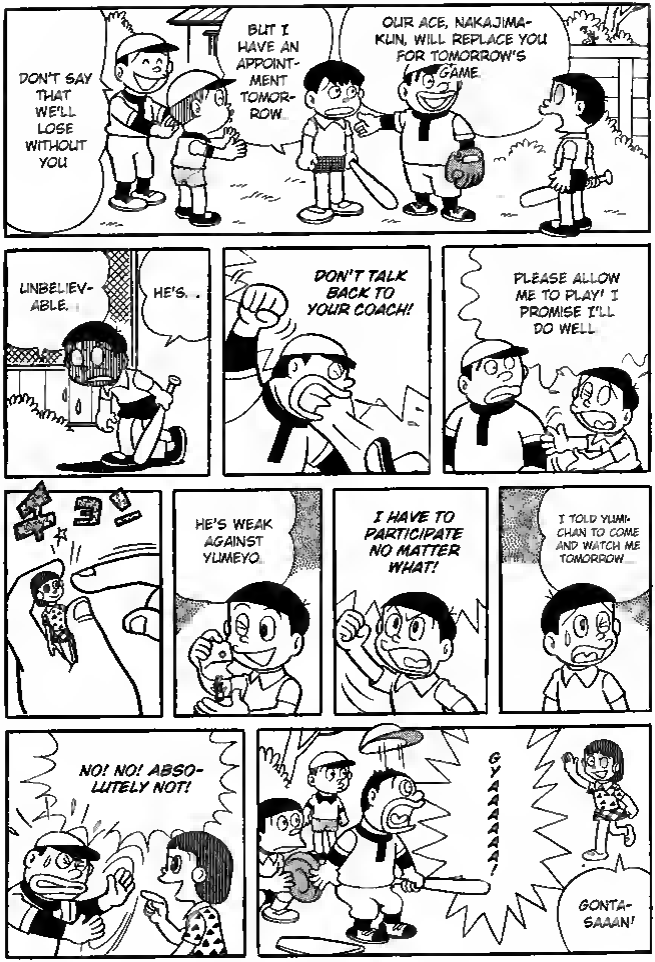
MR. PRESIDENT, WHY DON'T WE JUST STOP IT?
"STOP IT!"
"IF NOT, I'M NOT GOING TO BUY THE MAGAZINE ANYMORE."
"PLEASE STOP ITS PUBLICATION."

"I CAN'T STOP READING IT..."


"BUT I HATE READING KAWARU'S MANGA."

# BECOMING GONTA FOR A DAY

CONGRATS I'LL DEFINITELY COME
WOULD YOU COME? I'LL SHOW YOU MY TECHNIQUE
THEY EVEN ALLOWED ME TO PARTICIPATE IN THE GAME TOMORROW
I'VE GOTTEN BETTER AND BETTER LATELY
WHAT? WHY?
HEY, KAWARU YOU DON'T NEED TO SHOW UP TOMORROW
NOW, PRACTICE, PRACTICE!

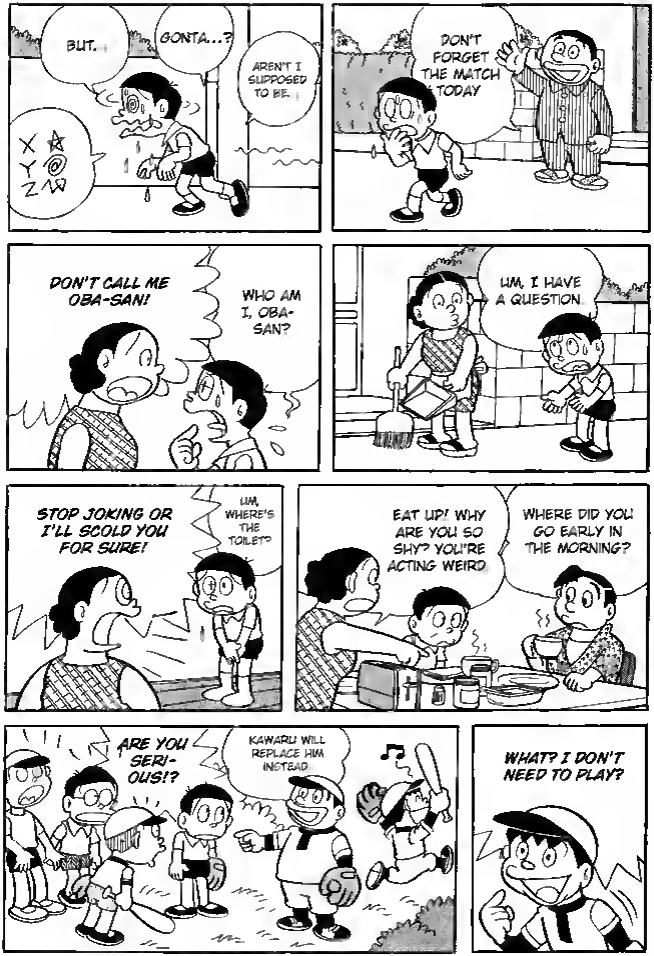

DON'T SAY THAT WE'LL LOSE WITHOUT YOU
BUT I HAVE AN APPOINT-MENT TOMOR-ROW.
OUR ACE, NAKAJIMA-KUN, WILL REPLACE YOU FOR TOMORROW'S GAME.
UNBELIEV-ABLE.
HE'S. . .
DON'T TALK BACK TO YOUR COACH!
PLEASE ALLOW ME TO PLAY! I PROMISE I'LL DO WELL.
HE'S WEAK AGAINST YUMEYO.
I HAVE TO PARTICIPATE NO MATTER WHAT!
I TOLD YUMI-CHAN TO COME AND WATCH ME TOMORROW.
NO! NO! ABSO-LUTELY NOT!
GYAAAAAA!
GONTA-SAAAN!

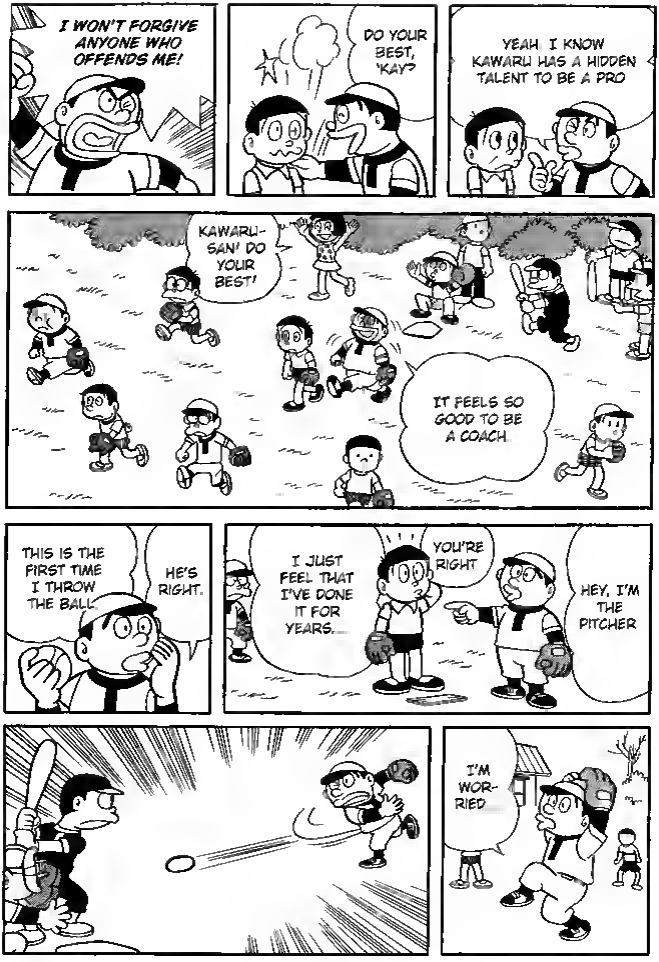
I KNEW IT. YOU WANT ME TO LET KAWARU JOIN TOMORROW'S GAME, RIGHT?
UM...
DEFINITELY NO WHATEVER IT IS...
I HAVEN'T SAID ANYTHING YET.
WHAT SHOULD I DO NOW?
EVEN YUMEYO COULDN'T CONVINCE HIM.
THIS ISN'T GOOD.
IF I WAS THE COACH, I WOULDN'T...
HE ASKED NAKAJIMA-KUN, WHO OBVIOUSLY CAN'T MAKE IT TOMORROW AND GOT RID OF ME INSTEAD. WHO'S DYING TO JOIN THE GAME!
I KNOW HE'S A COACH, BUT HE'S BEING SO SELFISH!
THAT'S IT! I'LL BE A BETTER COACH FOR OUR TEAM!
JUST YOU WAIT AND SEE!

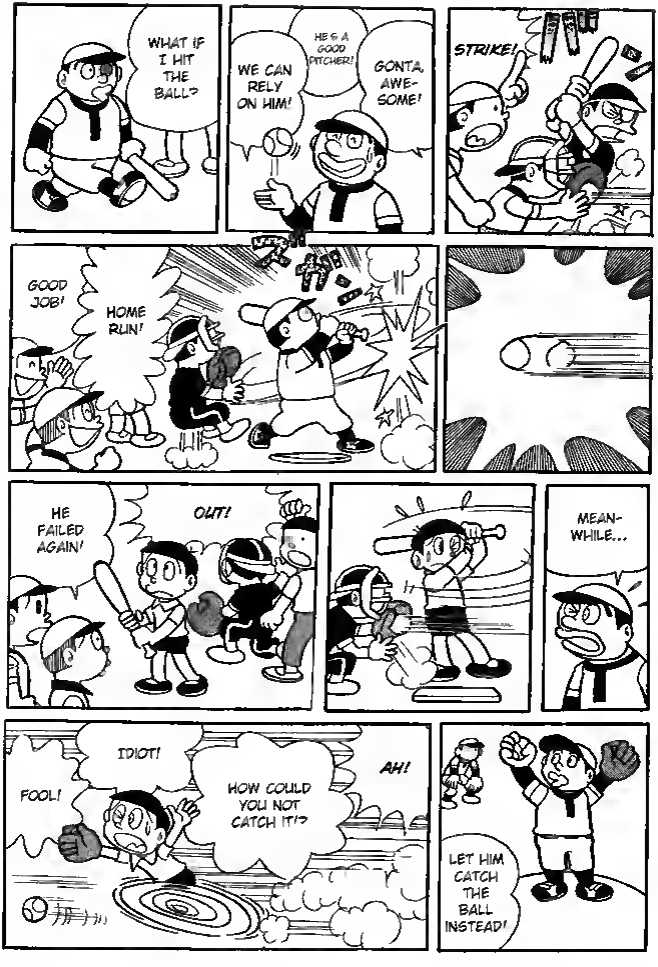
AH, SUGATA-SAN'S WIFE!
WHO'S THERE?
SHE REALLY IS WEIRD!
YES, HAVE A GOOD NIGHT.
PLEASE EXCUSE ME, HOHOHO
IT'LL BE DANGEROUS IF A CHILD WALKS ALONE AT NIGHT.

KIKIKI
ごわあ
SNORE
DON'T WORRY, KAWARU I'M THE COACH. YOU CAN JOIN OUR TEAM TOMORROW
I DID IT!
HUH!?

WHO ARE YOU!?
HE LOOKS JUST LIKE ME!
AH! I SLEPT WELL! IS IT MORNING ALREADY?
WAKE UP!
WHO IS SLEEPING ON MY BED?
I'M GONTA!
YOU'RE LYING!
REALLY?
ME? I'M GONTA
THERE'S A STRANGER IN MY ROOM!
MOMMY!
LOOK YOU UNDERSTAND NOW, DON'T YOU?
!!!
YOU MUST BE DREAMING
HUH? KAWARU -SAN?


BUT...
GONTA...?
AREN'T I SUPPOSED TO BE...
X ☆
Y @
Z W
DON'T FORGET THE MATCH TODAY
DON'T CALL ME OBA-SAN!
WHO AM I, OBA-SAN?
UM, I HAVE A QUESTION
STOP JOKING OR I'LL SCOLD YOU FOR SURE!
UM, WHERE'S THE TOILET?
EAT UP! WHY ARE YOU SO SHY? YOU'RE ACTING WEIRD
WHERE DID YOU GO EARLY IN THE MORNING?
ARE YOU SERI-OUS!?
KAWARU WILL REPLACE HIM INSTEAD
WHAT? I DON'T NEED TO PLAY?


I WON'T FORGIVE ANYONE WHO OFFENDS ME!
DO YOUR BEST, 'KAY?
YEAH. I KNOW KAWARU HAS A HIDDEN TALENT TO BE A PRO
KAWARU-SAN! DO YOUR BEST!
IT FEELS SO GOOD TO BE A COACH
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I THROW THE BALL
HE'S RIGHT.
I JUST FEEL THAT I'VE DONE IT FOR YEARS...
YOU'RE RIGHT
HEY, I'M THE PITCHER
I'M WORRIED...


WHAT IF I HIT THE BALL?
WE CAN RELY ON HIM!
HE'S A GOOD PITCHER!
GONTA, AWE-SOME!
STRIKE!
GOOD JOB!
HOME RUN!
HE FAILED AGAIN!
OUT!
MEAN-WHILE...
IDIOT!
FOOL!
HOW COULD YOU NOT CATCH IT!?
AH!
LET HIM CATCH THE BALL INSTEAD!

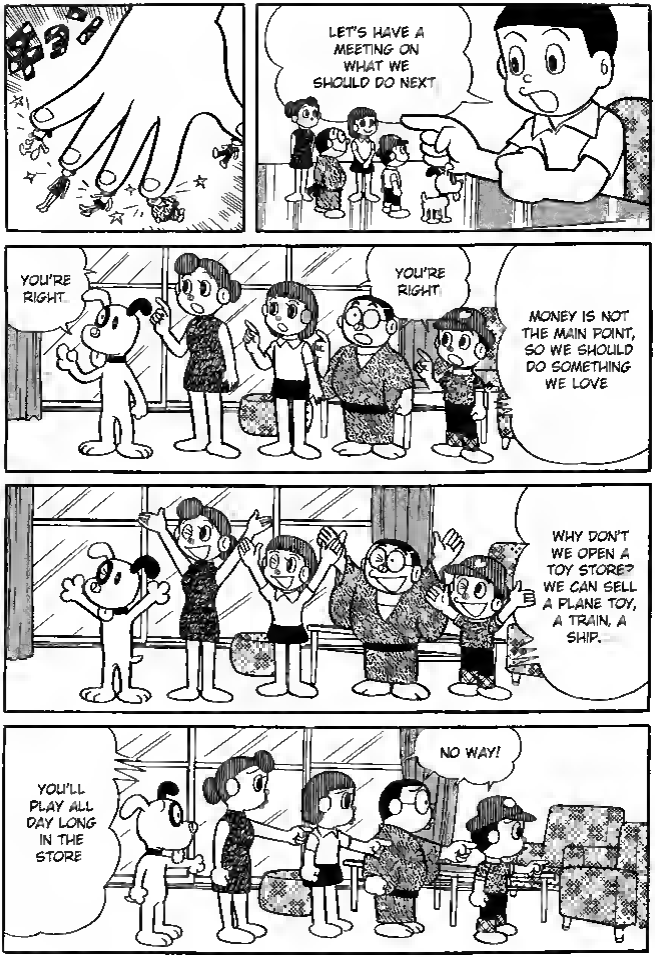
SHUT UP! DON'T YOU EVER DARE INSULT HIM!
LET'S GET RID OF HIM!
I DON'T WANNA LOSE JUST BECAUSE KAWARU IS IN OUR TEAM.
I HAD NO IDEA HOW DIFFICULT BASEBALL WAS
YOU LOOK SO TIRED
STRIKE! OUT!
AGAIN!
?
YOU, DON'T EMBARRASS ME!
ENOUGH! GET OUT!

MAMA!
THERE'S ANOTHER ME!
I THINK I'M GOING CRAZY...
GONTA-SAN? DID YOU HAVE A SLEEPOVER?
I KNOW HOW HE FEELS NOW
I WAS GONTA FOR A DAY YESTERDAY...
I NEED TO PRACTICE MORE IF I WANT TO JOIN THE MATCH, I'LL HAVE TO HAVE BETTER SKILLS

# BAKETA'S BOUTIQUE

MY DADDY IS A REAL ESTATE AGENT. HE ALWAYS MAKES A BILLION WORTH TRANSACTION
MY DAD IS A TEACHER. HE KNOWS EVERYTHING
MY DAD IS A SHIP CAPTAIN. HE TRAVELS AROUND THE WORLD
MY DAD IS AN OFFICE EMPLOYEE. HE'S GOING TO BE A MANAGER SOON, THOUGH.
WHAT'S YOUR FATHER'S JOB?
I FOR-GOT.
BAKERU IS WEIRD. HAHAHA
ISN'T THAT KAWARU'S FATHER'S JOB?

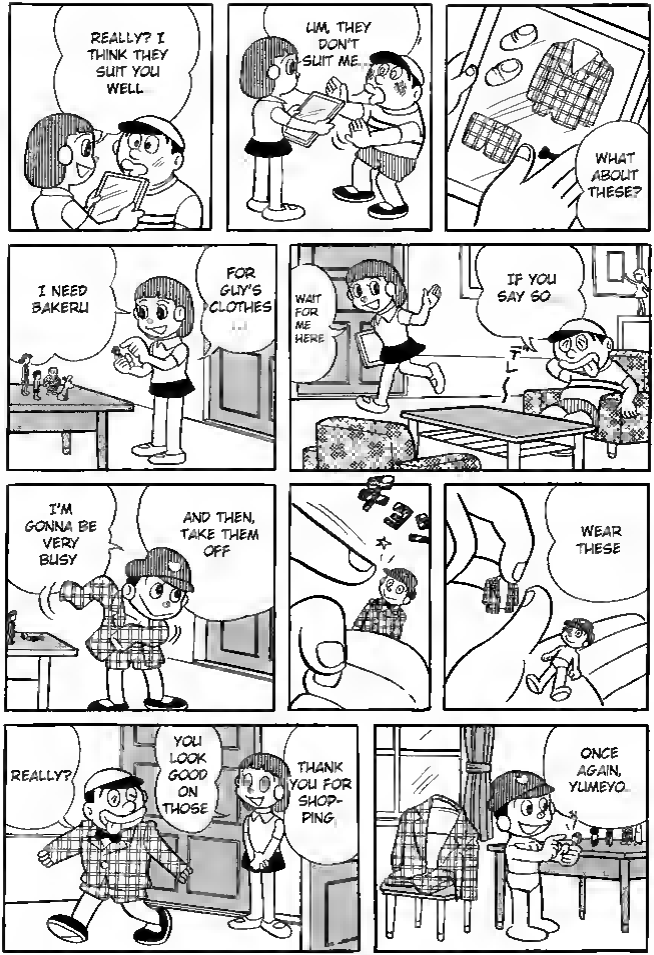
I THINK HE'S JOB-LESS
BUT...
BECAUSE BAKERU AND I ARE THE SAME PERSON...
I ENVY HIM, HAHAHA...
IT'S GOOD TO LIVE YOUR LIFE WITHOUT WORKING...
MAYBE THEY'RE RICH
BAKETA-SAN'S FAMILY IS SO WEIRD
WHY DON'T WE START LOOKING FOR A JOB?
THIS IS BAD...
PEOPLE WILL SUSPECT HIM...
IF HE DOESN'T WORK,

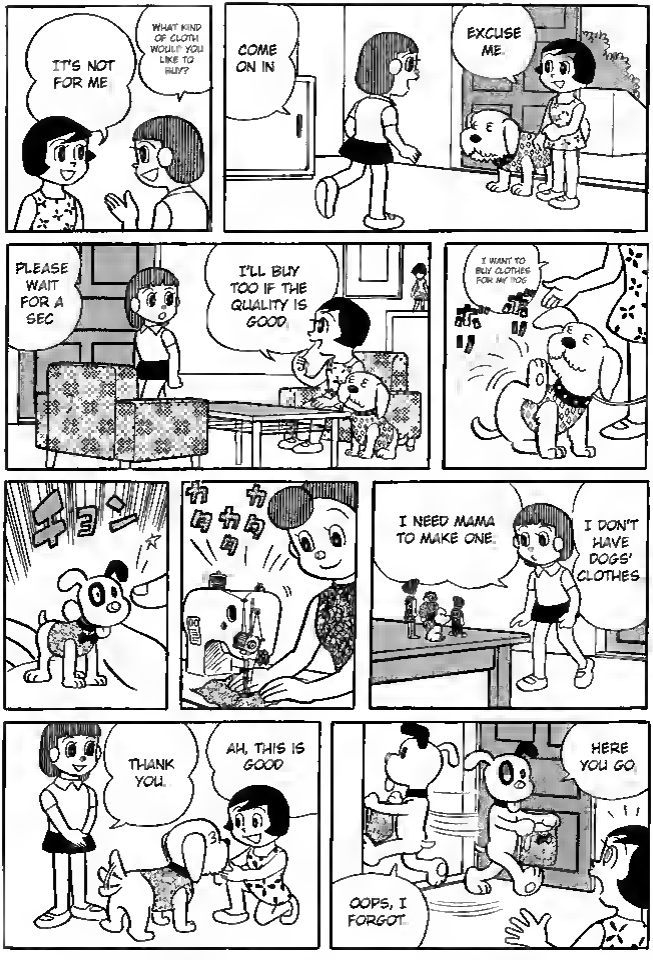

#3
LET'S HAVE A MEETING ON WHAT WE SHOULD DO NEXT
YOU'RE RIGHT.
YOU'RE RIGHT.
MONEY IS NOT THE MAIN POINT, SO WE SHOULD DO SOMETHING WE LOVE
WHY DON'T WE OPEN A TOY STORE? WE CAN SELL A PLANE TOY, A TRAIN, A SHIP.
YOU'LL PLAY ALL DAY LONG IN THE STORE
NO WAY!

NO! YOU'LL USE THE STORE FOR YOUR OWN SATISFACTION!
WHAT ABOUT PACHINKO?
DON'T BE SELFISH!
A PET SHOP! IF THERE'S A CUTE FEMALE DOG, I'LL MARRY HER.
BUT I NEED SOME APPROVAL FROM THE GOVERNMENT.
HAIR SALON WOULD BE NICE.
YOU'RE RIGHT
WELL, WE HAVE A LOT OF DOLLS' CLOTHES..
BUT HOW?
WHAT ABOUT A BOUTIQUE? WE CAN OPEN IT RIGHT AWAY
LET'S OPEN A BOU-TIQUE!
YUMEYO IS BRIL-LIANT

WHAT? YUME-CHAN'S HOUSE HAS BECOME A BOUTIQUE?
Baketa's Boutique, Opening Sale
TODAY!
BASICALLY, IT'LL BE ENOUGH TO BUY IT WITH YOUR ALLOWANCE
Baketa's Boutique Opening Sale TODAY!
YOU CAN HAGGLE
WE CAN'T AFFORD EXPENSIVE STUFF.
UM, I WANT TO BUY NEW CLOTHES, BUT...
HOW ARRO-GANT.
MADE WITH IM-PORTED FABRIC.
I ALWAYS BUY MY CLOTHES IN A DEPARTMENT STORE
SORRY, I DON'T LIKE CHEAP STUFF.
WE'RE NOT JOBLESS
IS THAT SO?

WHAT'S WRONG WITH ME?
YUME-CHAN ISN'T HERE?
AH! MY FIRST CUS-TOMER!
YUME-CHAN! YUME-CHAN!
I'VE BROUGHT ALL MY ALLOW-ANCE
CUSTOMER'S SATISFAC-TION IS NUMBER ONE
IT CAN'T BE HELPED.
THESE ARE JUST EXAMPLES. IF THERE'S SOME-THING YOU LIKE, I'LL TAKE THE REAL ONE FOR YOU.
AREN'T THESE DOLLS' CLOTHES?
WE HAVE TONS OF MODELS HERE.
YOU CAN CHOOSE ANYTHING YOU LIKE.


REALLY? I THINK THEY SUIT YOU WELL
UM, THEY DON'T SUIT ME...
WHAT ABOUT THESE?
I NEED BAKERU
FOR GUY'S CLOTHES...
WAIT FOR ME HERE
IF YOU SAY SO
I'M GONNA BE VERY BUSY
AND THEN, TAKE THEM OFF
WEAR THESE
REALLY?
YOU LOOK GOOD ON THOSE
THANK YOU FOR SHOPPING
ONCE AGAIN, YUMEYO


IT'S NOT FOR ME
WHAT KIND OF CLOTH WOULD YOU LIKE TO BUY?
COME ON IN
EXCUSE ME
PLEASE WAIT FOR A SEC
I'LL BUY TOO IF THE QUALITY IS GOOD
I WANT TO BUY CLOTHES FOR MY DOG
ケヨン
カタカタ
I NEED MAMA TO MAKE ONE
I DON'T HAVE DOGS' CLOTHES
THANK YOU
AH, THIS IS GOOD
HERE YOU GO
OOPS, I FORGOT

THIS IS KIND OF ANNOYING
PLEASE WAIT FOR A SEC..
IN THAT CASE, I'LL TAKE THIS ONE
I LIKE THIS
I'LL TAKE THIS ONE
I'M SUPER BUSY..
THIS WILL TAKE FOREVER
MAKE THEM BIG AND TAKE THEM OFF...
I NEED TO PUT THE CLOTHES ON THE DOLLS..
THAT CLOTH?
150 YEN!?
EVEN PAPA WANTS TO BUY A SUIT
THIS IS SO UN-USUAL
EVERYONE LOVES THE BOUTIQUE

I'M GETTING BORED!
IN ACTUALLY, I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO DOES ALL THE WORK!
ポヨーン
BUT...
EVERYONE HAS TRIED SOME CLOTHES ALREADY
DON'T SAY THAT TO A CUSTOMER! I'VE COME ALL THE WAY HERE...
WE HAVE CLOSED ALREADY
NOBODY'S HERE, EH?
WHAT ABOUT THAT ONE?
WE DON'T HAVE ANY
COULD YOU SHOW ME THE FABRIC?
THIS IS THE DESIGN.
DO YOU REALLY KNOW HOW TO DO IT?
HEY, AREN'T YOU GOING TO MEASURE ME FIRST?
THIS IS GOOD. YOU CAN MAKE IT WITH THIS.

NOT BAD
WHAT DO YOU THINK?
THIS USED TO BE A DOG'S CLOTH
WHY DO I FEEL ITCHY ALL OF A SUDDEN?
THE QUALITY IS DIFFERENT FROM THE BAKETA BOUTIQUE, ISN'T IT?
I BOUGHT THIS IN A DEPART-MENT STORE
THE FLEAS HAVE TURNED INTO GIANTS TOO!

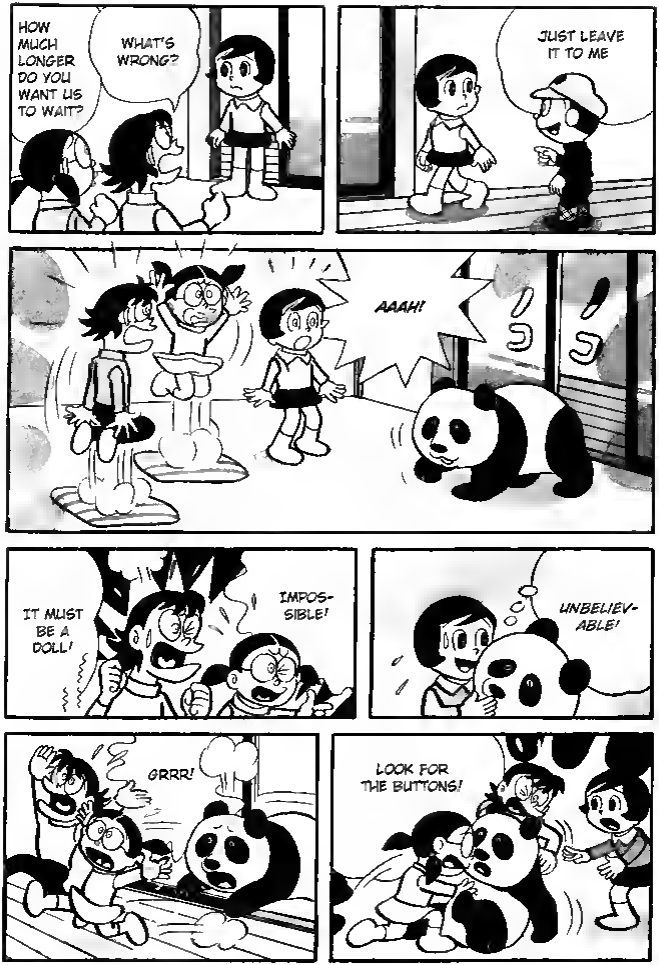
# I WANT TO KEEP A PANDA

WHY ARE YOU SPACED OUT?
WHAT IS IT?
AH, KAWARU-SAN
YUMI-CHAN
IT'S OKAY, ISN'T IT?
IF YOU WANT TO TALK, I CAN BE YOUR EARS
I NEED TO TALK TO HIM...
HAVE YOU SEEN BAKERU-SAN?
チョン
SHE'S ONLY INTER-ESTED IN BAKERU...
I WANT TO TALK TO BAKERU-SAN
NO
THIS IS AN EMERGENCY! I NEED YOUR HELP!
BAKERU -SAN!

THIS IS MY PET ISN'T HE AWE-SOME?
I JUST TALKED ABOUT PETS WITH MY FRIENDS
IF NOT, IT'S JUST GONNA BE BORING
IF WE WANNA KEEP PETS, THE STRANGER IT IS, THE BETTER.
THAT'S AWESOME TOO!
I HAVE A MONKEY AT HOME.
I HAVE A PANDA, ACTUALLY.
POOR GIRL.
YUMI-CHAN DOESN'T HAVE ANYTHING, RIGHT?
THEY'RE GOING TO COME TO MY HOUSE SOON. PLEASE HELP ME!
BECAUSE I HATED TO LOSE.
WHY DID YOU LIE?

ペット屋
IMPOS-SIBLE!
チョン
IT SEEMS IMPOS-SIBLE
NO MATTER HOW HARD I TRY...
I CAN'T GET A PANDA NO MATTER HOW MUCH YOU PAY ME!
I'LL PAY YOU AS MUCH AS YOU WANT
WE CAN'T GET A PANDA!
THIS IS BAD
LET'S INSULT HER
YOU'RE RIGHT.
I'M SURE SHE WAS LYING
チョン
SHE'S BRIL-LIANT.
I'LL TURN INTO YUMEYO
THAT'S IT!

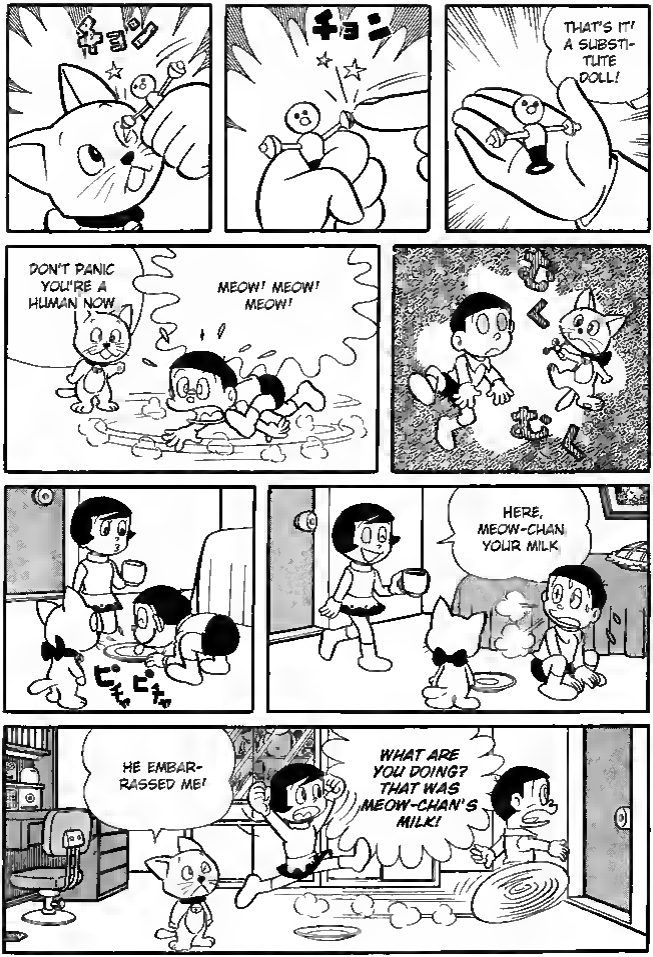
MAYBE PANDA IS ONE OF THEM
IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN, THERE ARE A LOT OF DOLLS INSIDE THE CUPBOARD
THERE IT IS!
THERE ARE A LOT OF ANIMALS HERE
SHOW US, QUICK!
YUMI-CHAN! WHERE'S THE PANDA?
BAKERU-SAN I KNOW IT'S IMPOSSIBLE!

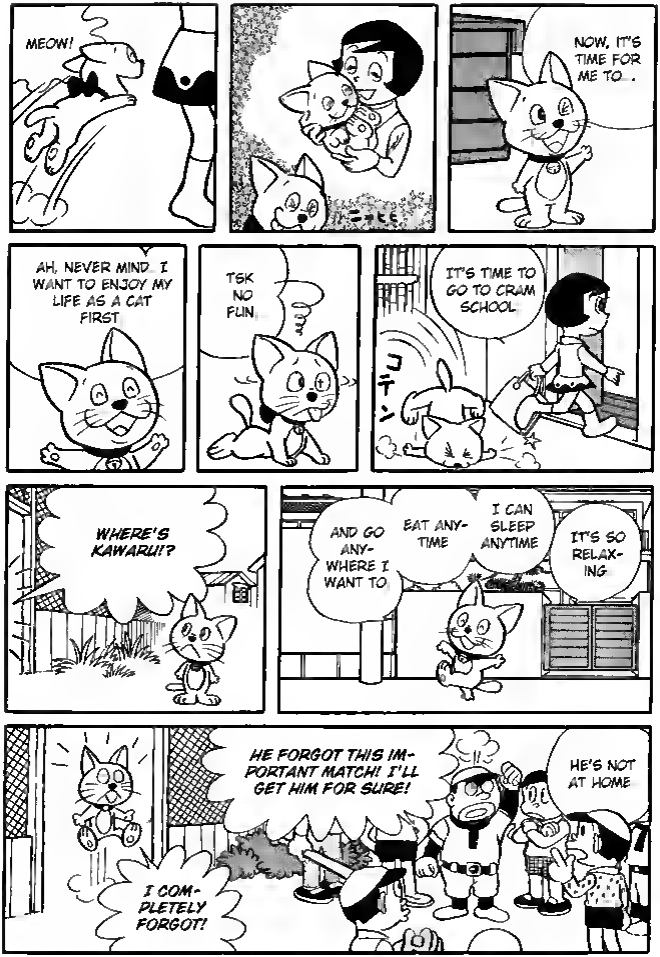

HOW MUCH LONGER DO YOU WANT US TO WAIT?
WHAT'S WRONG?
JUST LEAVE IT TO ME
AAAH!
IT MUST BE A DOLL!
IMPOS-SIBLE!
UNBELIEV-ABLE!
GRRR!
LOOK FOR THE BUTTONS!

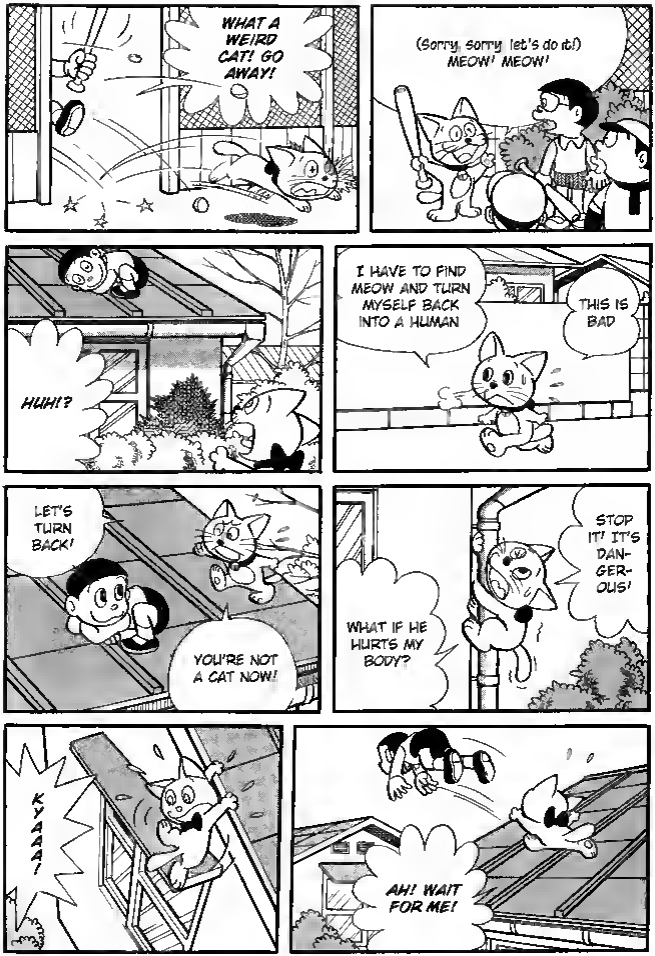
チョン
THIS IS ENOUGH.
I WANT TO THANK HIM.
HAVE YOU SEEN BAKERU-SAN?
WHO IS SHE LOOKING FOR NOW?
TSK! SHE'S ONLY INTERESTED IN BAKERU!
NO, YOU DON'T NEED TO THANK HIM.
THIS IS NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS.

THIS IS BAD, MEOW!

I'M JUST GONNA AVOID HER FOR AN HOUR AND WALK OUTSIDE
TSK. MAMA ALWAYS SCOLDS ME FOR NO REASON
THIS IS HER SECOND BIRTHDAY
WOW, HER FOOD IS PRETTY LUXURIOUS
MEOW!
MEOW-CHAN, THIS IS YOUR FOOD
!
YUMI-CHAN LOVES YOU. I WISH I WERE YOU.
YOU'RE ONE HAPPY CAT, AREN'T CHA?
I'M GONNA BRING HER MILK FIRST.

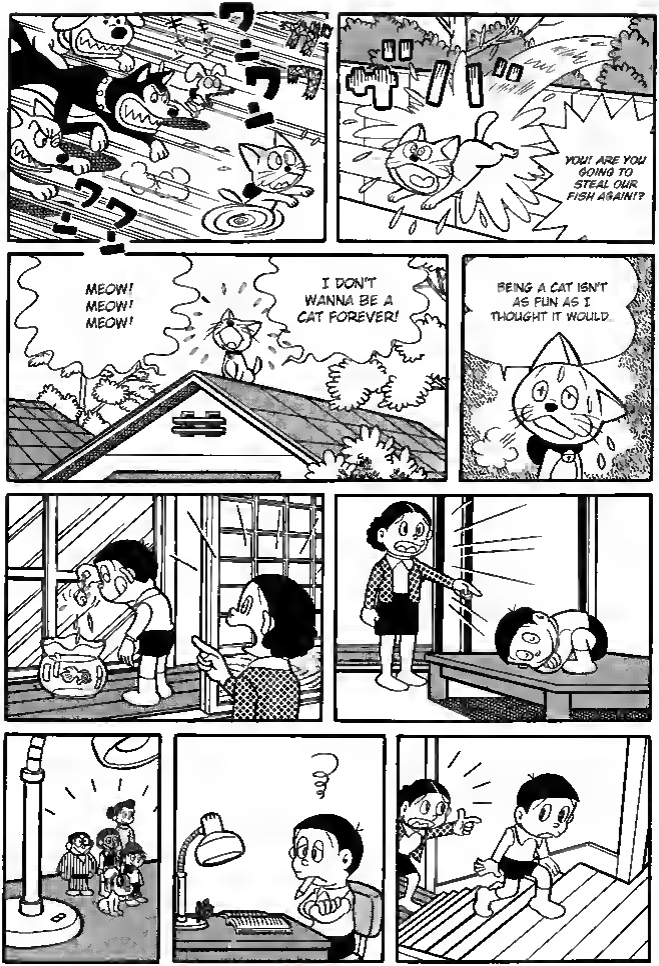

チョン
チョン
THAT'S IT! A SUBSTITUTE DOLL!
DON'T PANIC YOU'RE A HUMAN NOW
MEOW! MEOW! MEOW!
HERE, MEOW-CHAN YOUR MILK
HE EMBARRASSED ME!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING? THAT WAS MEOW-CHAN'S MILK!

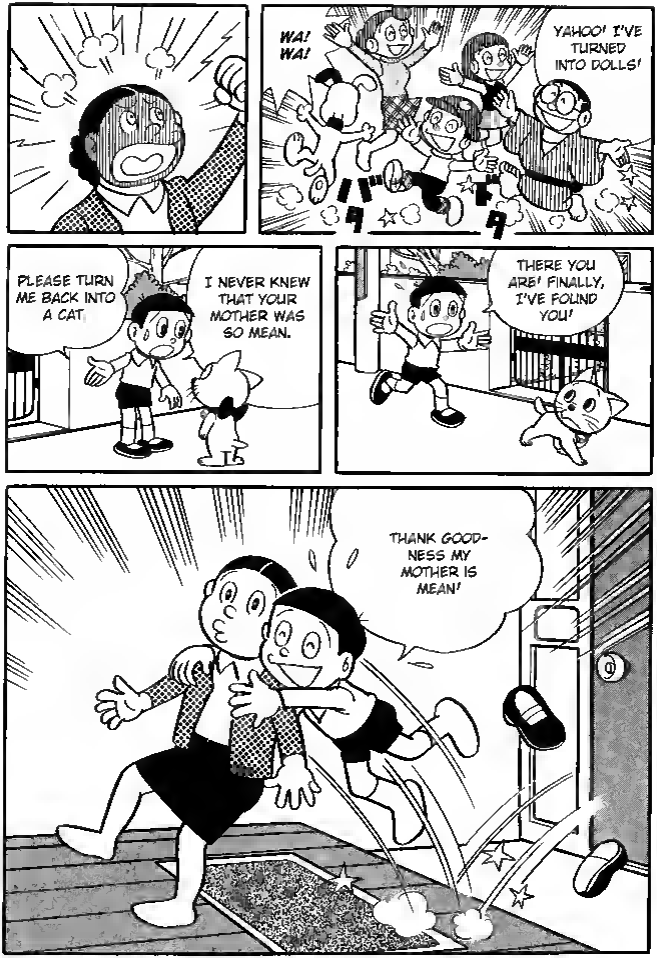

MEOW!
NOW, IT'S TIME FOR ME TO...
AH, NEVER MIND. I WANT TO ENJOY MY LIFE AS A CAT FIRST
TSK NO FUN
IT'S TIME TO GO TO CRAM SCHOOL
コチン
WHERE'S KAWARU!?
AND GO ANY-WHERE I WANT TO
EAT ANY-TIME
I CAN SLEEP ANYTIME
IT'S SO RELAX-ING
HE FORGOT THIS IM-PORTANT MATCH! I'LL GET HIM FOR SURE!
HE'S NOT AT HOME
I COM-PLETELY FORGOT!


WHAT A WEIRD CAT! GO AWAY!
(Sorry, sorry, let's do it!) MEOW! MEOW!
HUH!?
I HAVE TO FIND MEOW AND TURN MYSELF BACK INTO A HUMAN
THIS IS BAD
LET'S TURN BACK!
YOU'RE NOT A CAT NOW!
WHAT IF HE HURTS MY BODY?
STOP IT! IT'S DAN-GER-OUS!
KYAAA!
AH! WAIT FOR ME!

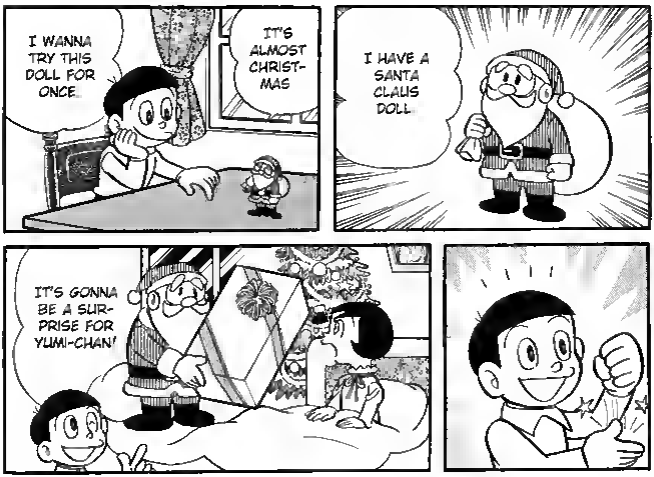
HEY, BE MORE POLITE WHEN YOU TALK TO ME.
AH, KUMA, THE STRAY CAT.
HEY, MEOW!
LET'S GET MARRIED.
DON'T BE SO ARROGANT.
SORRY, I'M RUSHING
I'VE ALWAYS LOVED YOU
WHY DON'T WE BE FRIENDS?
I DON'T CARE ABOUT THAT SMALL MATTER.
NEVER MIND
WHAT? SO UNEXPECTED.
NO WAY! I'M A GUY!
MARRIED?
GYAAA! HELP ME!
DO YOU HATE ME THAT MUCH!?
NO WAY! GROSS!

HE'S ALWAYS BOTHERED ME! NAUGHTY CAT!
MEOW...
IT'S GOOD TO BE A HUMAN. I WANNA BE HUMAN FOREVER.
NO WAY!
NOW, TAKE OUT THE DOLL INSIDE YOUR POCKET AND CHANGE BACK
THANK YOU, MEOW!
HEY, DON'T SAY THAT!
MAYBE THERE'S A WINDOW OPENED
I HAVE TO CHANGE HIM BACK NO MATTER WHAT!

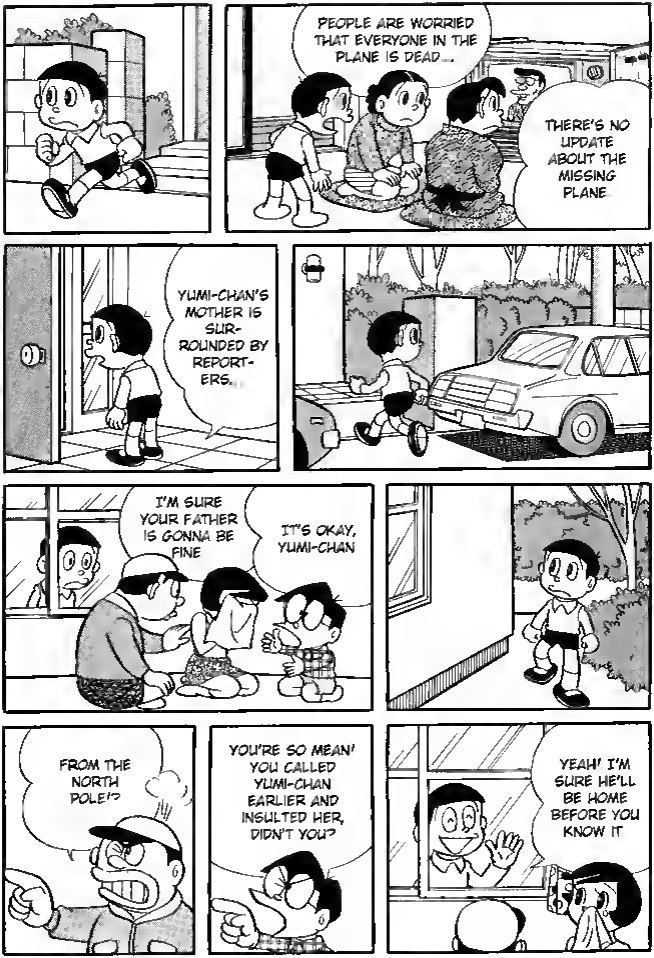

YOU! ARE YOU GOING TO STEAL OUR FISH AGAIN!?
MEOW! MEOW! MEOW!
I DON'T WANNA BE A CAT FOREVER!
BEING A CAT ISN'T AS FUN AS I THOUGHT IT WOULD

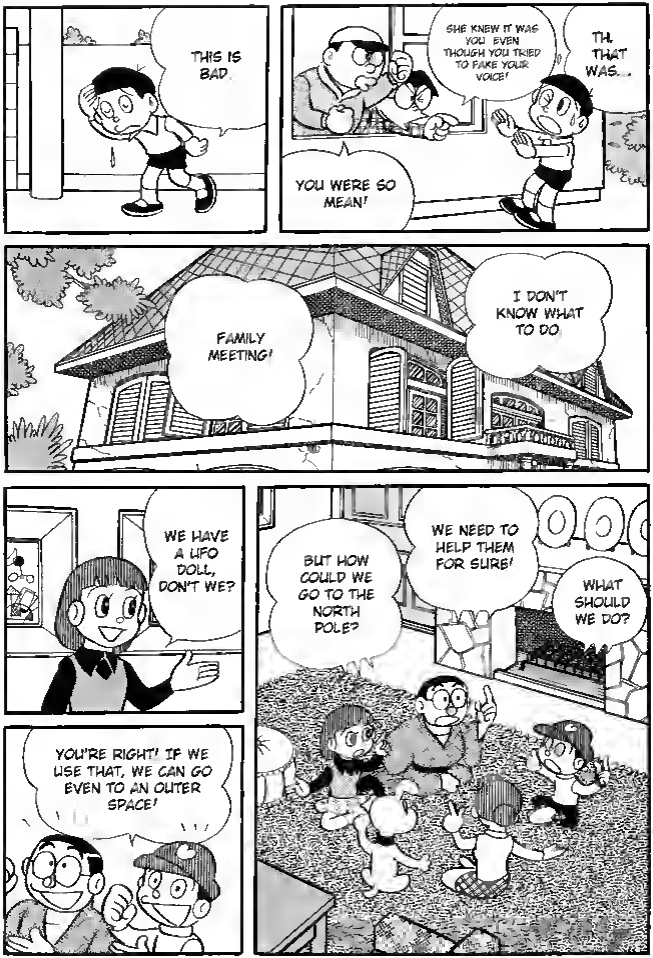

WA! WA!
YAHOO! I'VE TURNED INTO DOLLS!
PLEASE TURN ME BACK INTO A CAT.
I NEVER KNEW THAT YOUR MOTHER WAS SO MEAN.
THERE YOU ARE! FINALLY, I'VE FOUND YOU!
THANK GOODNESS MY MOTHER IS MEAN!

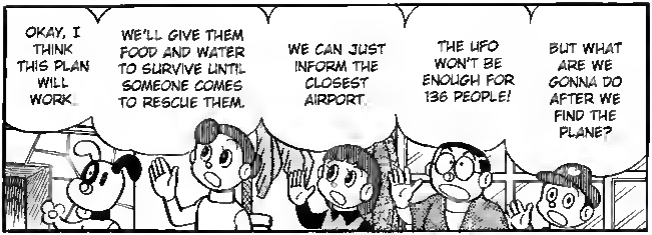
# A PRESENT FROM SANTA CLAUS

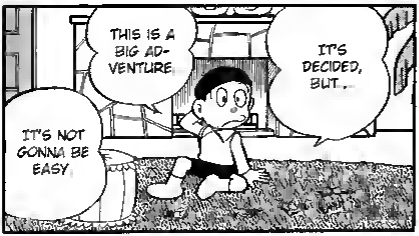


WHAT DO YOU WANT FOR CHRISTMAS, SWEETIE?
I'M CALLING YOU FROM THE NORTH POLE
THE ONE WHO APPEARS DURING CHRISTMAS?
I'M SANTA CLAUSE
YUMI-CHAN?
HELLO?
SHE'S CRYING
HUH?
EH?
ANSWER ME
COME ON, DON'T BE SHY
NO MATTER HOW EXPENSIVE IT IS...
EVERYTHING YOU WANT, JUST SAY IT
THIS IS BAD
POOR GIRL
SHE DIDN'T NEED TO CRY
I WAS JUST KIDDING
YUMI-CHAN'S FATHER IS IN THE PLANE AS WELL!
THAT'S NOT JUST IT
WHAT? A PLANE CRUSHED AND FELL IN THE NORTH POLE?

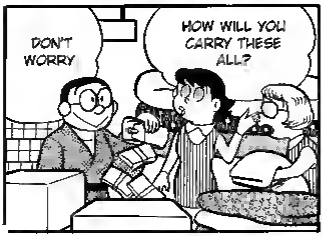

PEOPLE ARE WORRIED THAT EVERYONE IN THE PLANE IS DEAD...
THERE'S NO UPDATE ABOUT THE MISSING PLANE...
YUMI-CHAN'S MOTHER IS SUR-ROUNDED BY REPORT-ERS...
I'M SURE YOUR FATHER IS GONNA BE FINE
IT'S OKAY, YUMI-CHAN
FROM THE NORTH POLE!?
YOU'RE SO MEAN! YOU CALLED YUMI-CHAN EARLIER AND INSULTED HER, DIDN'T YOU?
YEAH! I'M SURE HE'LL BE HOME BEFORE YOU KNOW IT

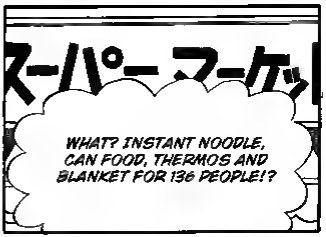

THIS IS BAD
SHE KNEW IT WAS YOU EVEN THOUGH YOU TRIED TO FAKE YOUR VOICE!
TH, THAT WAS...
YOU WERE SO MEAN!
FAMILY MEETING!
I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO
WE HAVE A UFO DOLL, DON'T WE?
BUT HOW COULD WE GO TO THE NORTH POLE?
WE NEED TO HELP THEM FOR SURE!
WHAT SHOULD WE DO?
YOU'RE RIGHT! IF WE USE THAT, WE CAN GO EVEN TO AN OUTER SPACE!

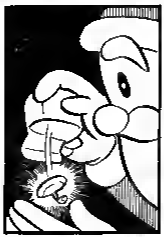

OKAY, I THINK THIS PLAN WILL WORK.
WE'LL GIVE THEM FOOD AND WATER TO SURVIVE UNTIL SOMEONE COMES TO RESCUE THEM.
WE CAN JUST INFORM THE CLOSEST AIRPORT.
THE UFO WON'T BE ENOUGH FOR 136 PEOPLE!
BUT WHAT ARE WE GONNA DO AFTER WE FIND THE PLANE?


THIS IS A BIG ADVENTURE.
IT'S DECIDED, BUT..
IT'S NOT GONNA BE EASY.

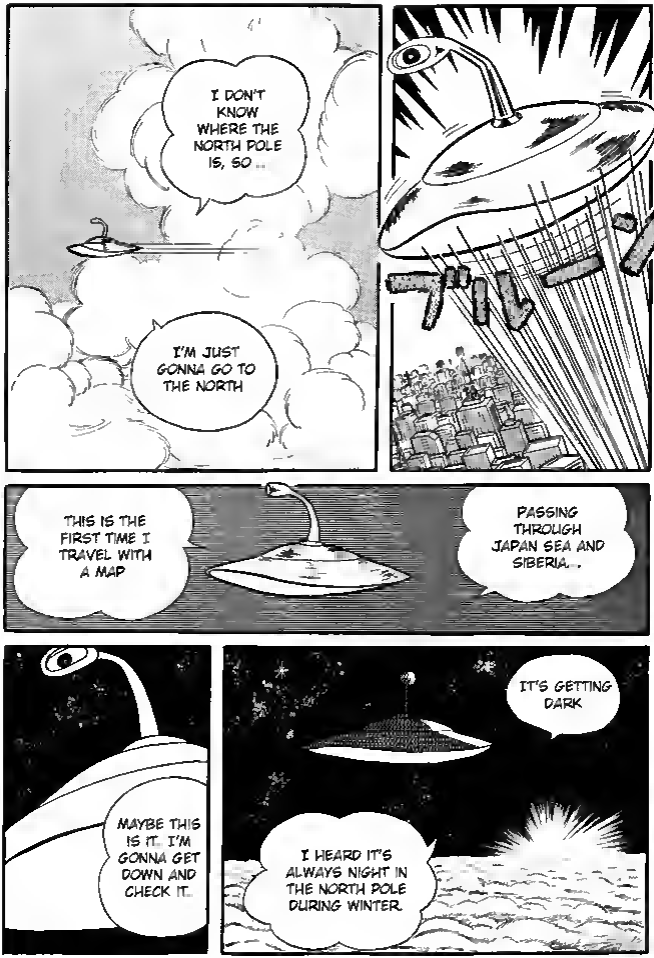
LET'S DO IT!
ちょん

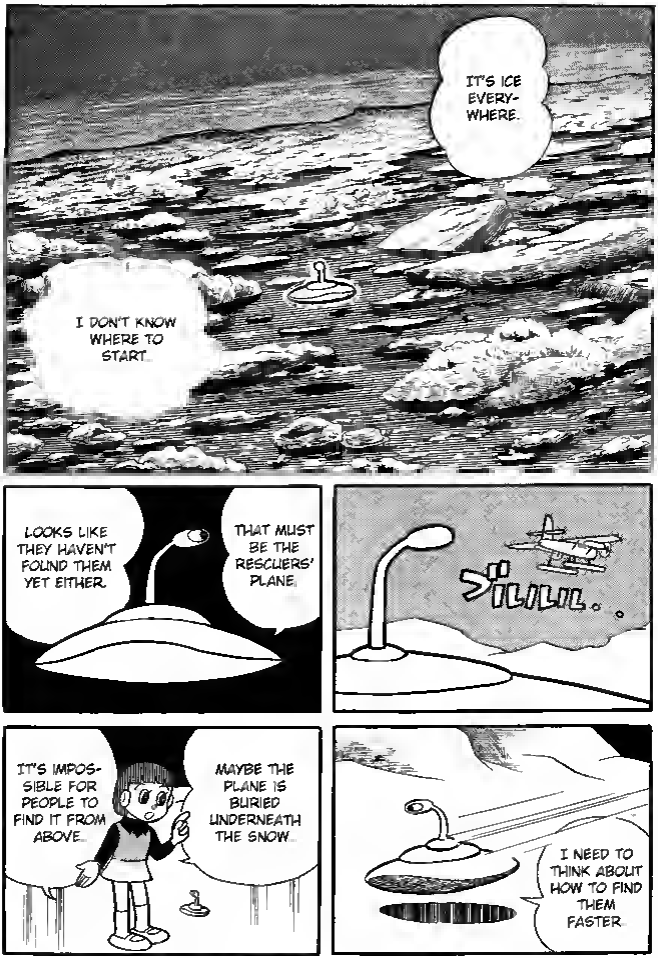

DON'T WORRY.
HOW WILL YOU CARRY THESE ALL?


スーパーマーケット
WHAT? INSTANT NOODLE, CAN FOOD, THERMOS AND BLANKET FOR 136 PEOPLE!?

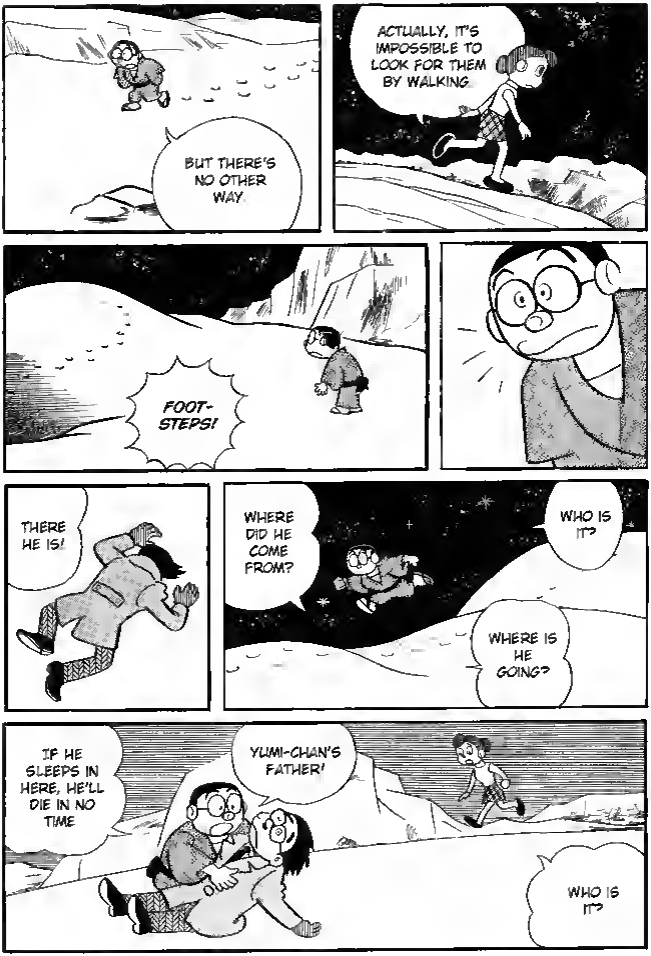


CAN CARRY THEM ALL
MY BAG.


I DON'T KNOW WHERE THE NORTH POLE IS, SO...
I'M JUST GONNA GO TO THE NORTH
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I TRAVEL WITH A MAP
PASSING THROUGH JAPAN SEA AND SIBERIA...
MAYBE THIS IS IT. I'M GONNA GET DOWN AND CHECK IT.
IT'S GETTING DARK
I HEARD IT'S ALWAYS NIGHT IN THE NORTH POLE DURING WINTER.


IT'S ICE EVERY-WHERE.
I DON'T KNOW WHERE TO START.
LOOKS LIKE THEY HAVEN'T FOUND THEM YET EITHER.
THAT MUST BE THE RESCUERS' PLANE.
ブルルル。。
IT'S IMPOS-SIBLE FOR PEOPLE TO FIND IT FROM ABOVE.
MAYBE THE PLANE IS BURIED UNDERNEATH THE SNOW.
I NEED TO THINK ABOUT HOW TO FIND THEM FASTER.

LET'S TAKE A ROLE AND START LOOKING FOR THEM
WE HAVE TO FIND THEM BY WALKING
THEY'LL DIE OUT OF COLD IF WE DON'T FIND THEM SOON
THIS ISN'T TIME FOR THAT! HURRY UP!
WHAT A BEAUTI-FUL AURORA
WE'VE GOT TO HURRY!
NEXT!
I'M TIRED!

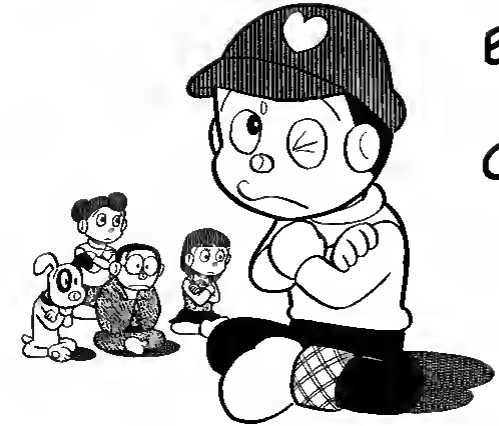

BUT THERE'S NO OTHER WAY
ACTUALLY, IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO LOOK FOR THEM BY WALKING
FOOT-STEPS!
THERE HE IS!
WHERE DID HE COME FROM?
WHO IS IT?
WHERE IS HE GOING?
IF HE SLEEPS IN HERE, HE'LL DIE IN NO TIME
YUMI-CHAN'S FATHER!
WHO IS IT?

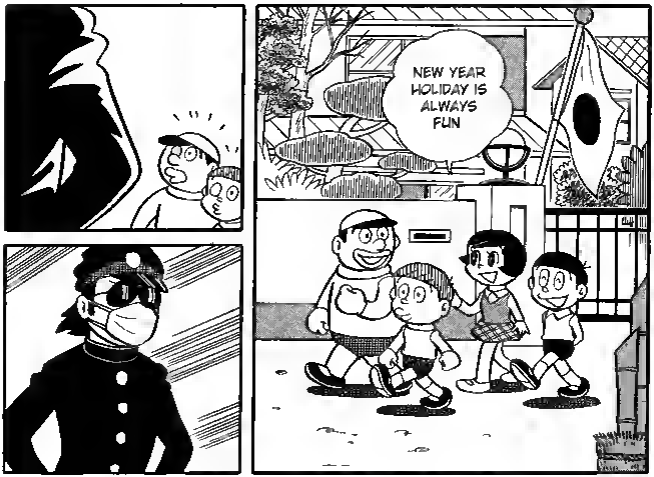
HUH? WHAT?
NO, MY YUMI TOO...
WE'RE SORRY BAKERU'S ALWAYS BOTHERED YOU
NO WAY! MY HANDS ARE FREEZING!
カチカチ
I HAVE TO BE CALM AT A SITUATION LIKE THIS...
NO! MY BRAIN HAS STARTED TO LOSE IT!
I NEED TO FIND SOMEONE TO RESCUE US
I HAVE TO BE STRONG...
BUT I CAN'T JUST STAY HERE AND SIT...
THANKS
LET ME DO IT FOR YOU
WE'RE GONNA DIE SOON
THE HEATER IS BROKEN AND WE'RE RUNNING OUT OF FOOD...
THE PLANE IS BURIED UNDERNEATH THE SNOW
BUT THE RADIO ISN'T WORKING ANYMORE
IT'S IMPOSSIBLE
BY WALKING?

THIS IS THE END!
THIS BAG HAS EVERYTHING YOU NEED.
IN THAT CASE...
WHY DON'T YOU JUST WAIT IN THE PLANE?
I'LL TELL THE RESCUER ABOUT YOUR LOCATION.
I'M SEEING SANTA CLAUSE!
I'M CRAZY NOW!
AS LONG AS I KNOW THE LOCATION, I CAN TELL THEM.
PLEASE DO YOUR BEST UNTIL THEY COME!

YOUR FATHER WILL GO HOME SOON, SO DON'T WORRY.
SO THAT'S HOW IT WAS.
PLEASE RETURN THIS TO YOUR FATHER.
AH, I ALMOST FORGOT
I DON'T HAVE TIME TO BUY YOU A PRESENT I'M SORRY
THANK YOU, MR. SANTA!
THIS IS THE BEST CHRISTMAS' PRESENT EVER.
THIS IS MY FATHER'S LIGHTER!
SANTA CLAUSE REALLY DOES EXIST!
I BE-LIEVE IT NOW!

# THE BULLY HAS COME



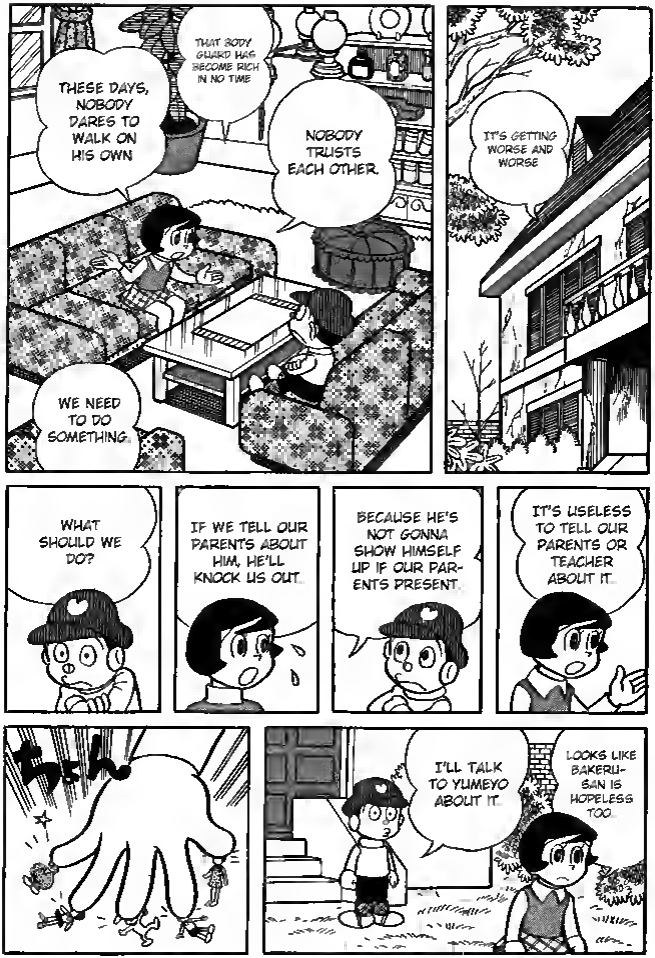


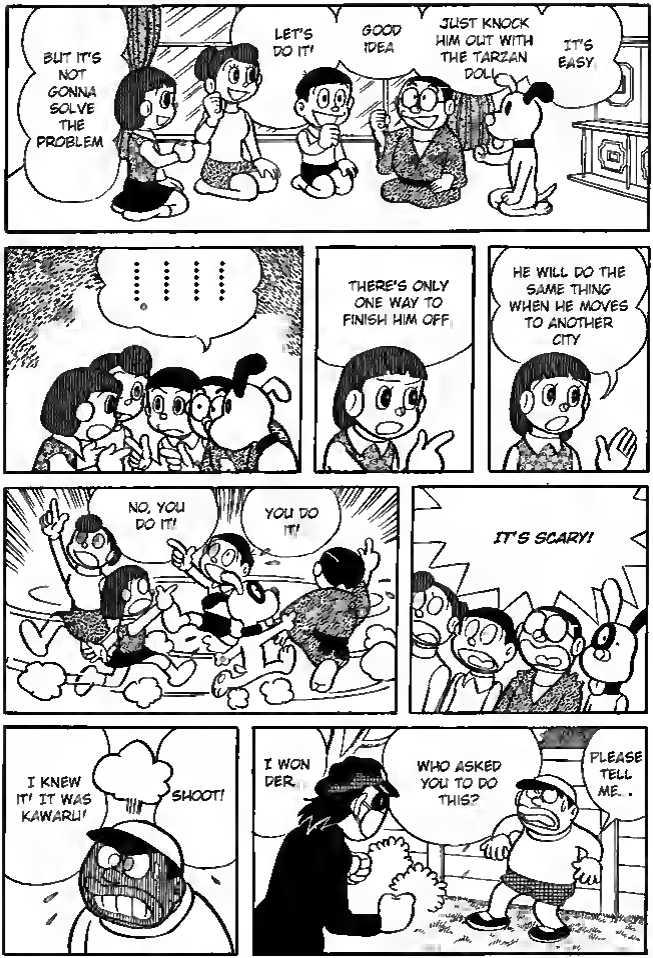
ME! I'M THE ONE!
THAT'S DEFINITELY
THE STRONGEST, HUH?
WHO'S THE STRONGEST AMONG YOU?
HEY, ANSWER ME
I SAID, COME HERE!
BUT I DON'T WANNA FIGHT WITH ANYONE
HUH?
GO... GONTA HAS BEEN BEATEN UP JUST WITH ONE PUNCH!
YOU STARTED IT!
ドカ

I'VE STARTED A BUSINESS AS A BODYGUARD
THAT WAS JUST AN EXAMPLE
YOU DON'T NEED TO RUN AWAY
I'M NOT AFRAID OF ANYONE
YOU'VE SEEN MY POWER YOURSELF
TO KNOCK THOSE PEOPLE DOWN
I'M PAID...
YOU MUST HAVE HAD ONE OR TWO PEOPLE YOU HATE
TELL ALL YOUR FRIENDS ABOUT IT.
I'M PAID 500 YEN PER PERSON, BUT SINCE I JUST STARTED RECENTLY YOU CAN PAY ME FOR 100 YEN PER PERSON ONLY
HE'S CRAZY YOU DON'T NEED TO PAY HIM AN ATTENTION
A BODYGUARD. WHAT KIND OF BUSINESS IS THAT?
HE DOESN'T SEEM TO LIVE AROUND HERE
WHO THE HECK IS HE?

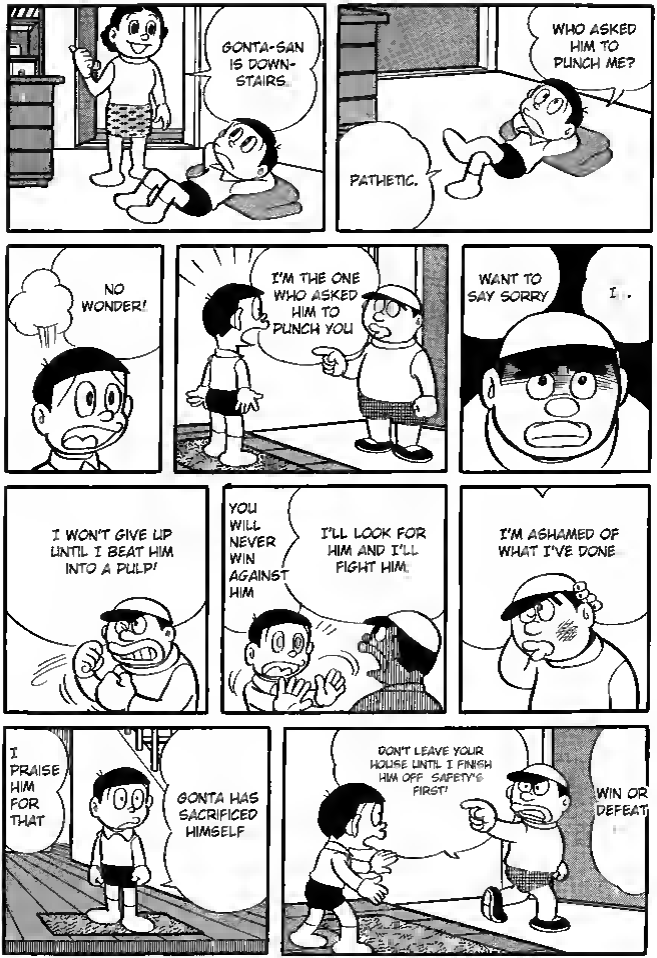
WHY?
GONTA, YOU BETTER BE CAREFUL
BYE
EVEN I WOULD HAVE KILLED YOU IF I COULD... HUH..?
NOT JUST AVENGE
YOU MEAN A LOT OF PEOPLE WANT TO AVENGE ME?
AND YOU ALWAYS BULLY THE WEAK
YOU'VE BEEN SELFISH,
NO WAY!
WHY IS THIS HAPPENING ON THE NEW YEAR DAY?
SO KAWARU MIGHT ASK HIM TO KNOCK ME OUT
I HAD NO ATTENTION WHATSOEVER!
IT WAS A LIE!
KAWARU, HUH?
BUT KAWARU MUST HAVE HAD A GRUDGE AGAINST YOU.

MY CLIENT'S SECRET IS SAFE WITH ME...
WHO... WHO WAS IT? WHO ASKED YOU TO KNOCK ME OUT?
HEY, BODY-GUARD!
I'LL REPAY HIM!
BECAUSE I PUT A LIZARD INSIDE HIS BAG EARLIER!
I KNEW IT! IT MUST BE HIM!
COULD IT BE HIM... OR HIM..?
SOMEONE WHO HAS A GRUDGE AGAINST ME...

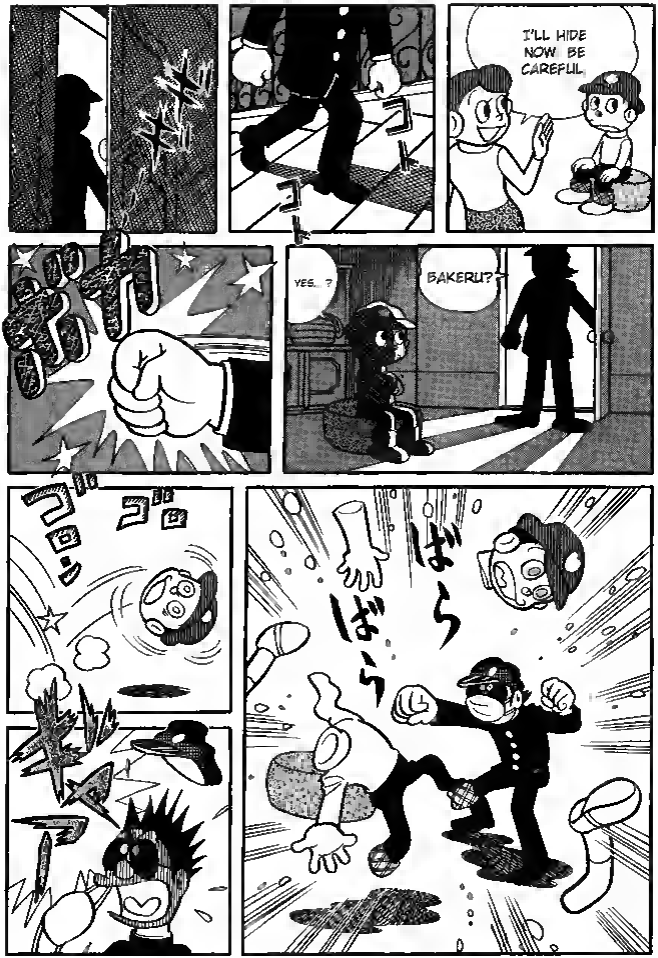

THESE DAYS, NOBODY DARES TO WALK ON HIS OWN
THAT BODY GUARD HAS BECOME RICH IN NO TIME
NOBODY TRUSTS EACH OTHER.
WE NEED TO DO SOMETHING.
IT'S GETTING WORSE AND WORSE
WHAT SHOULD WE DO?
IF WE TELL OUR PARENTS ABOUT HIM, HE'LL KNOCK US OUT.
BECAUSE HE'S NOT GONNA SHOW HIMSELF UP IF OUR PARENTS PRESENT.
IT'S USELESS TO TELL OUR PARENTS OR TEACHER ABOUT IT.
I'LL TALK TO YUMEYO ABOUT IT.
LOOKS LIKE BAKERU-SAN IS HOPELESS TOO.

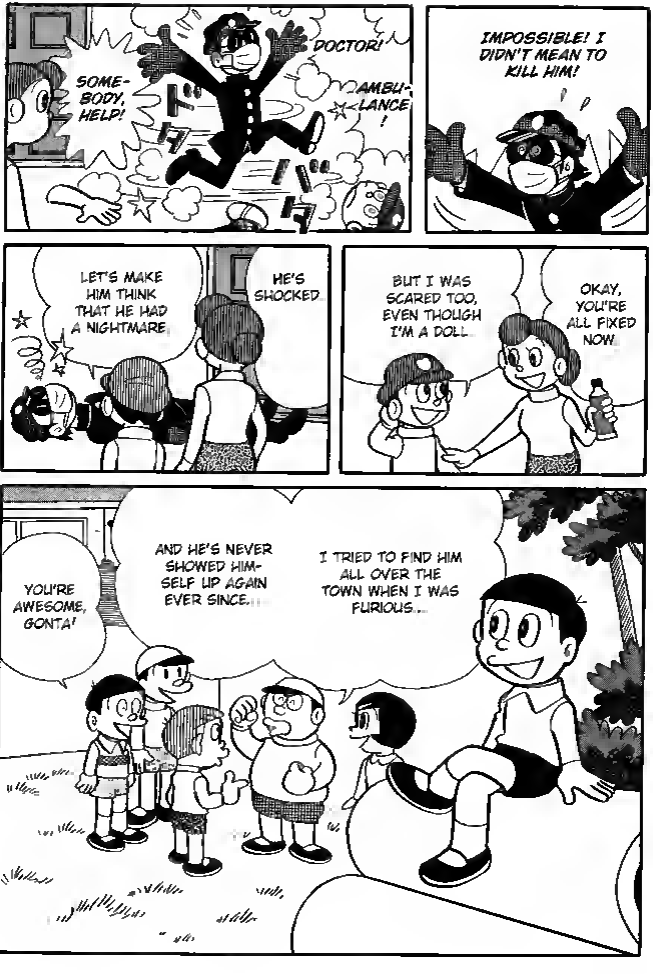

BUT IT'S NOT GONNA SOLVE THE PROBLEM
LET'S DO IT!
GOOD IDEA
JUST KNOCK HIM OUT WITH THE TARZAN DOLL
IT'S EASY!
.....
THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY TO FINISH HIM OFF.
HE WILL DO THE SAME THING WHEN HE MOVES TO ANOTHER CITY
NO, YOU DO IT!
YOU DO IT!
IT'S SCARY!
I KNEW IT! IT WAS KAWARU!
SHOOT!
I WON DER.
WHO ASKED YOU TO DO THIS?
PLEASE TELL ME..

HM...
IN RETURN, YOU CAN HAVE THE OTHER 200 YEN TO PUNCH|KAWARU!
COULD YOU RETURN 100 YEN TO THE PERSON WHO PAID YOU TO PUNCH ME?
I HAVE 300 YEN.
PHEW
へたへた
DONE
EVERYONE WAS SO SELFISH
WELL, IT COULDN'T BE HELPED SINCE ALL OF THEM WERE ACTUALLY ME.
THERE WAS NO SOLUTION.
?
HE'S AIMING FOR ME?


GONTA-SAN IS DOWN-STAIRS.
WHO ASKED HIM TO PUNCH ME?
PATHETIC.
NO WONDER!
I'M THE ONE WHO ASKED HIM TO PUNCH YOU
WANT TO SAY SORRY
I .
I WON'T GIVE UP UNTIL I BEAT HIM INTO A PULP!
YOU WILL NEVER WIN AGAINST HIM
I'LL LOOK FOR HIM AND I'LL FIGHT HIM.
I'M ASHAMED OF WHAT I'VE DONE
I PRAISE HIM FOR THAT
GONTA HAS SACRIFICED HIMSELF
DON'T LEAVE YOUR HOUSE UNTIL I FINISH HIM OFF. SAFETY'S FIRST!
WIN OR DEFEAT

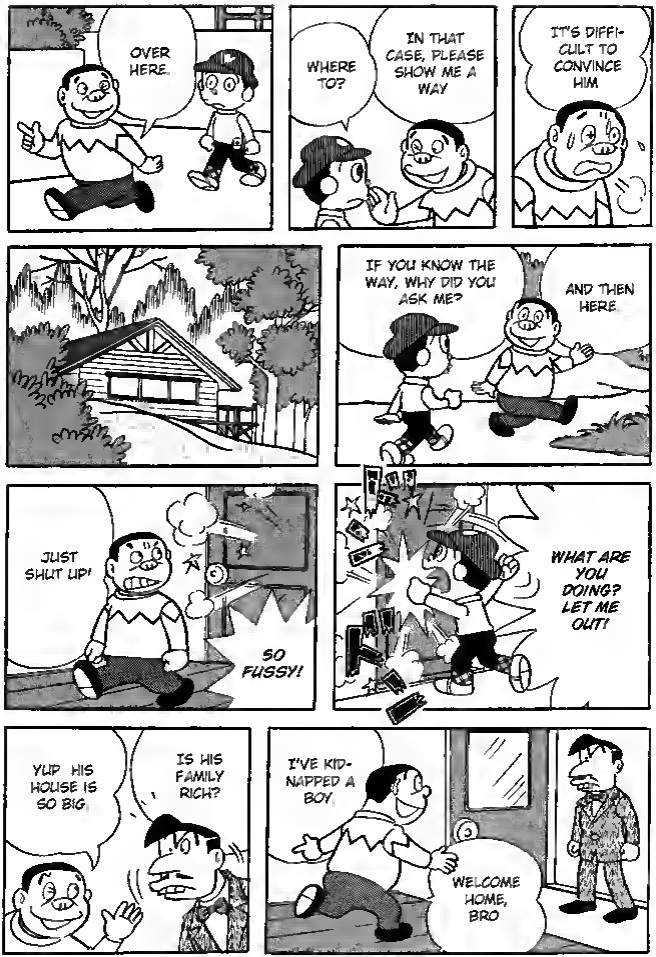
YOU'VE FOUND ME.
I HAVE TO FIND HIM FIRST.
BEFORE GONTA FIGHTS HIM...
DON'T GIVE HIM MERCY.
HE'S GONNA BE HOME ALONE TONIGHT.
I WANT YOU TO KNOCK BAKERU OUT.
MY CLIENT IS A GIRL THIS IS UNUSUAL.
DON'T WORRY.
I'VE GOT THE WORST ROLE.
HE'S GONNA BE HERE SOON.
THERE HE IS.
I'LL FIX YOU LATER

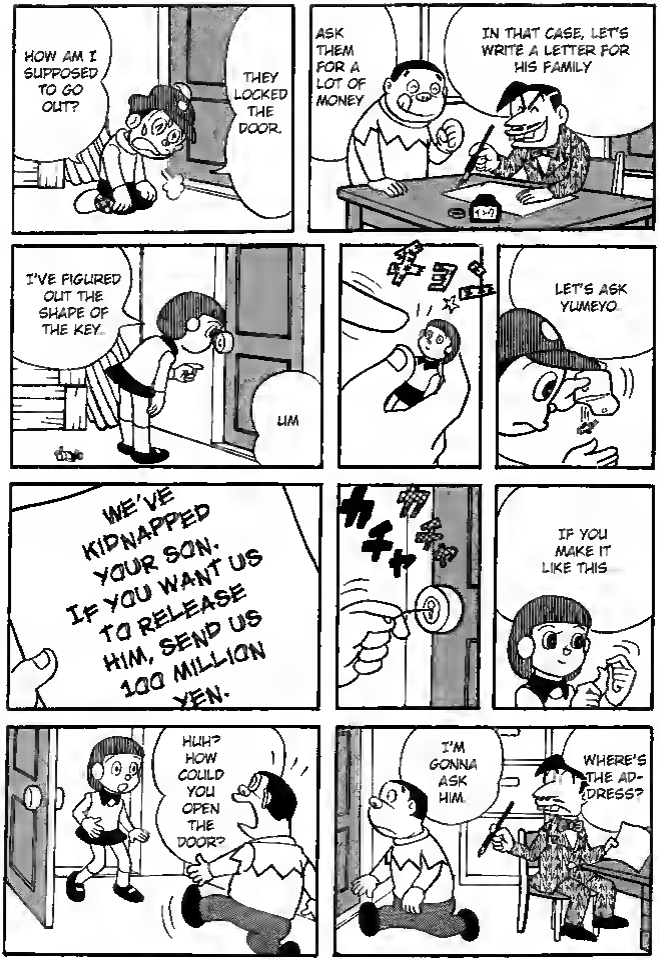

I'LL HIDE NOW. BE CAREFUL.
BAKERU?
YES. ?
ばら
ばら


SOMEBODY, HELP!
DOCTOR!
AMBULANCE!
IMPOSSIBLE! I DIDN'T MEAN TO KILL HIM!
LET'S MAKE HIM THINK THAT HE HAD A NIGHTMARE.
HE'S SHOCKED.
BUT I WAS SCARED TOO, EVEN THOUGH I'M A DOLL.
OKAY, YOU'RE ALL FIXED NOW.
YOU'RE AWESOME, GONTA!
AND HE'S NEVER SHOWED HIMSELF UP AGAIN EVER SINCE...
I TRIED TO FIND HIM ALL OVER THE TOWN WHEN I WAS FURIOUS...

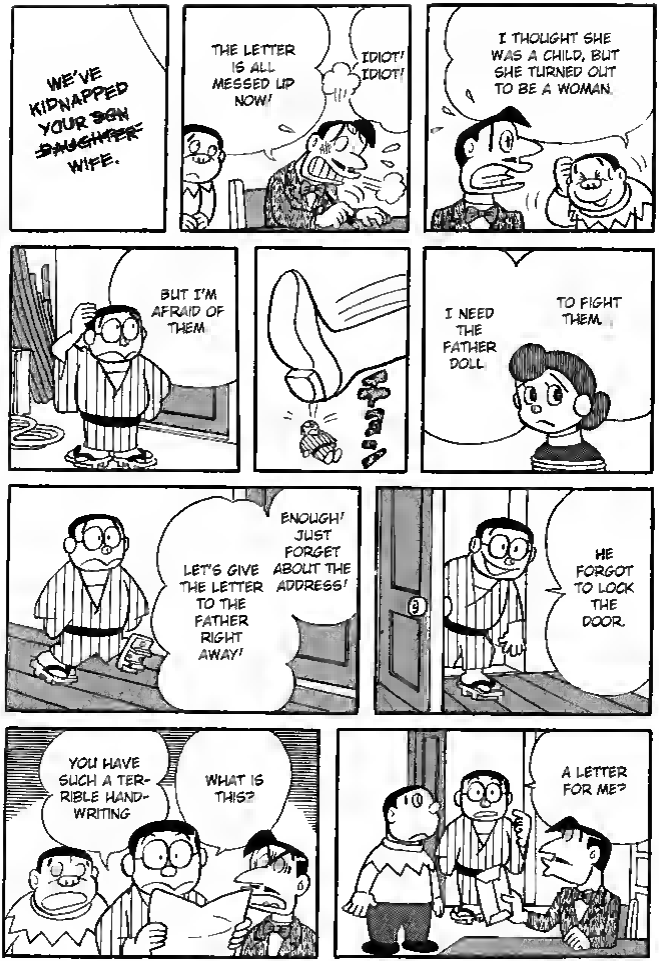
# WHO IS KIDNAPPED?

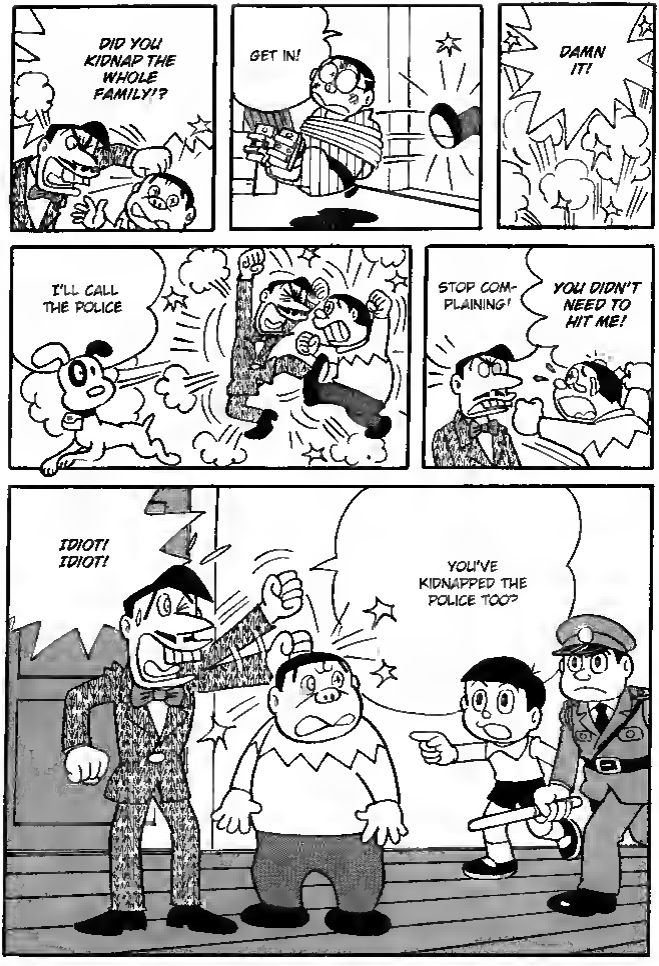
I'VE READ ALL THE MANGA I HAVE
HEY, BOY
I'M GONNA BUY THE NEW ONE
WHAT ABOUT MANGA?
I'M ABOUT TO BUY IT MYSELF
I JUST ATE A LOT OF THEM.
FOLLOW ME I'M GOING TO BUY YOU SOME CAKES

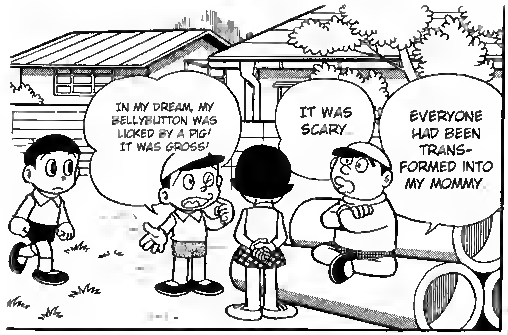

OVER HERE.
WHERE TO?
IN THAT CASE, PLEASE SHOW ME A WAY
IT'S DIFFICULT TO CONVINCE HIM
IF YOU KNOW THE WAY, WHY DID YOU ASK ME?
AND THEN HERE
JUST SHUT UP!
SO FUSSY!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING? LET ME OUT!
YUP HIS HOUSE IS SO BIG
IS HIS FAMILY RICH?
I'VE KIDNAPPED A BOY
WELCOME HOME, BRO

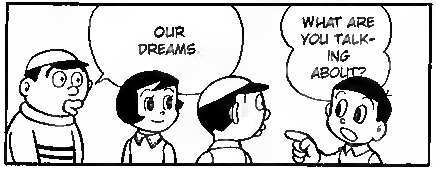

HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO GO OUT?
THEY LOCKED THE DOOR.
ASK THEM FOR A LOT OF MONEY
IN THAT CASE, LET'S WRITE A LETTER FOR HIS FAMILY
I'VE FIGURED OUT THE SHAPE OF THE KEY.
HM
LET'S ASK YUMEYO.
WE'VE KIDNAPPED YOUR SON. IF YOU WANT US TO RELEASE HIM, SEND US 100 MILLION YEN.
IF YOU MAKE IT LIKE THIS
HUH? HOW COULD YOU OPEN THE DOOR?
I'M GONNA ASK HIM.
WHERE'S THE ADDRESS?

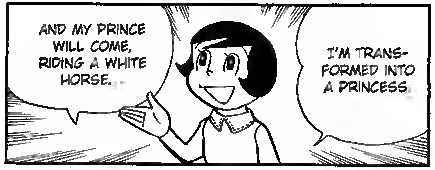
IDIOT!
SHE'S ACTUALLY A GIRL
UM
I'LL HAVE TO TIE YOU UP NOW!
DAMN IT!
WE'VE KIDNAPPED YOUR SON DAUGHTER
I FORGOT TO ASK HER!
THE ADDRESS...!?
IT'S...
U... UM.
?
?
?
!

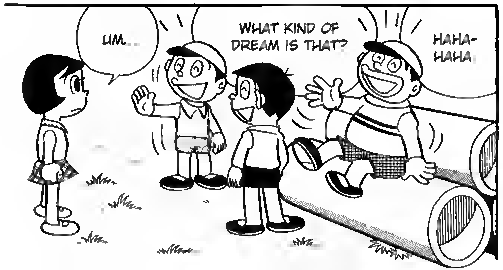

WE'VE KIDNAPPED YOUR SON ~~DAUGHTER~~ WIFE.
THE LETTER IS ALL MESSED UP NOW!
IDIOT! IDIOT!
I THOUGHT SHE WAS A CHILD, BUT SHE TURNED OUT TO BE A WOMAN.
BUT I'M AFRAID OF THEM
I NEED THE FATHER DOLL
TO FIGHT THEM.
ENOUGH! JUST FORGET ABOUT THE ADDRESS!
LET'S GIVE THE LETTER TO THE FATHER RIGHT AWAY!
HE FORGOT TO LOCK THE DOOR.
YOU HAVE SUCH A TERRIBLE HANDWRITING
WHAT IS THIS?
A LETTER FOR ME?


DID YOU KIDNAP THE WHOLE FAMILY!?
GET IN!
DAMN IT!
I'LL CALL THE POLICE
STOP COMPLAINING!
YOU DIDN'T NEED TO HIT ME!
IDIOT! IDIOT!
YOU'VE KIDNAPPED THE POLICE TOO?

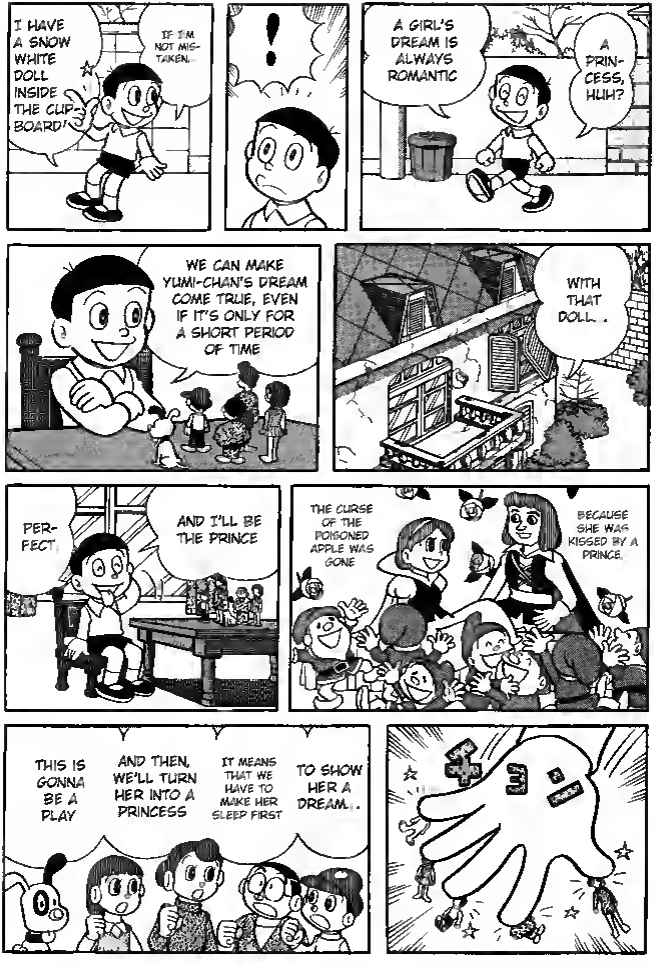




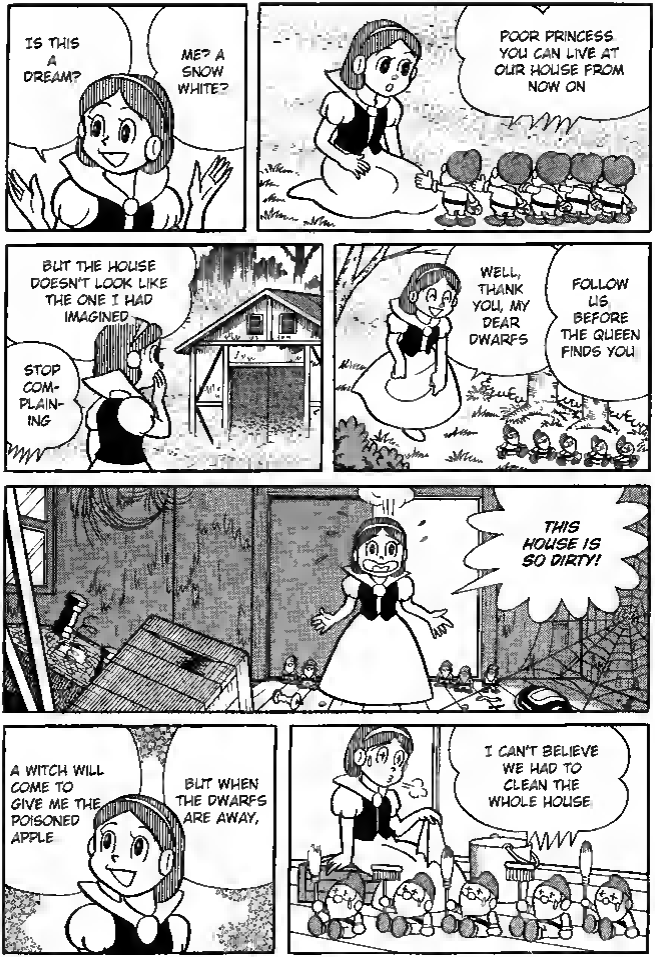




# SNOW WHITE IN A DREAM


I HAVE A SNOW WHITE DOLL INSIDE THE CUPBOARD!
IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN...
!
A GIRL'S DREAM IS ALWAYS ROMANTIC
A PRINCESS, HUH?
WE CAN MAKE YUMI-CHAN'S DREAM COME TRUE, EVEN IF IT'S ONLY FOR A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME
WITH THAT DOLL..
PERFECT!
AND I'LL BE THE PRINCE
THE CURSE OF THE POISONED APPLE WAS GONE
BECAUSE SHE WAS KISSED BY A PRINCE.
THIS IS GONNA BE A PLAY
AND THEN, WE'LL TURN HER INTO A PRINCESS
IT MEANS THAT WE HAVE TO MAKE HER SLEEP FIRST
TO SHOW HER A DREAM..
ZZZ

PERFECT!
THERE'S A SMALL HOUSE ON TOP OF THE HILL.
WE CAN USE THE SETTING OF THE SEVEN DWARFS' HOUSE.
WE DON'T HAVE A CASTLE AROUND HERE.
THE LOCATION IS A PROBLEM.
YOU JUST NEED TO SLEEP.
NO, I CAN MAKE IT COME TRUE.
I WAS JUST KIDDING.
YOU MEAN THE ONE I TALKED ABOUT EARLIER?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
A DREAM FOR ME?
YOU CAN AT LEAST TRY!
I CAN'T BELIEVE IT. HOW DO YOU KNOW IF I WILL DREAM SOMETHING I WANT TO DREAM OF?
SLEEP, SLEEP...
I'M A HYPNOTIST.

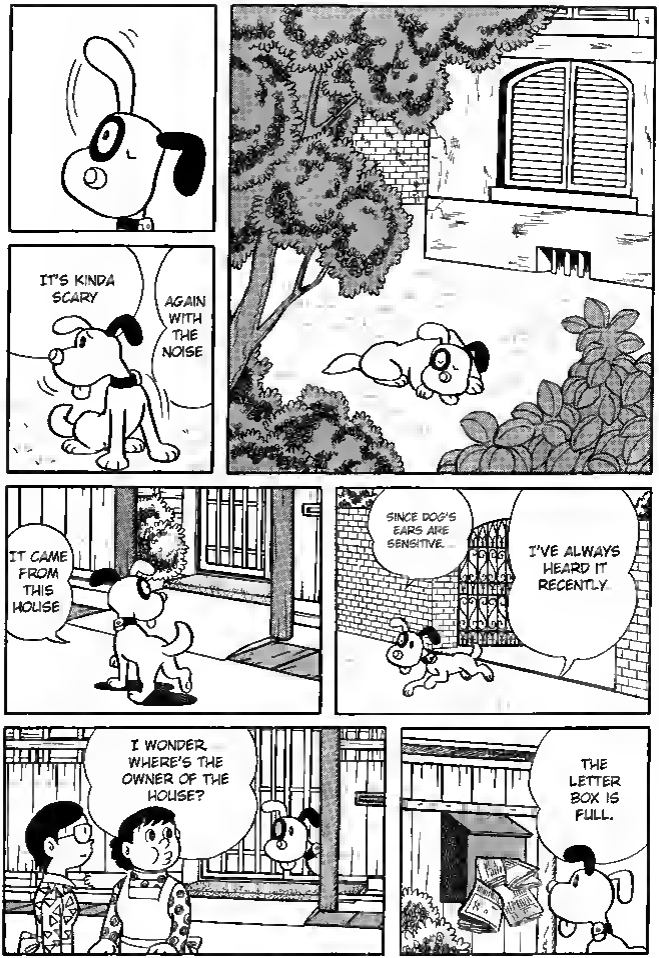
THANK GOODNESS THE FACE OF THIS DOLL LOOKS KIND OF LIKE YUMI-CHAN
WHY AM I HERE?
COUGH, COUGH
WE'LL HIDE THE SURROUNDING USING THIS CAN SMOKE.
UNDER SOME CIRCUMSTANCES, THERE ARE ONLY FIVE DWARFS.


IS THIS A DREAM?
ME? A SNOW WHITE?
POOR PRINCESS YOU CAN LIVE AT OUR HOUSE FROM NOW ON
BUT THE HOUSE DOESN'T LOOK LIKE THE ONE I HAD IMAGINED
STOP COM-PLAIN-ING
WELL, THANK YOU, MY DEAR DWARFS
FOLLOW US BEFORE THE QUEEN FINDS YOU
THIS HOUSE IS SO DIRTY!
A WITCH WILL COME TO GIVE ME THE POISONED APPLE
BUT WHEN THE DWARFS ARE AWAY,
I CAN'T BELIEVE WE HAD TO CLEAN THE WHOLE HOUSE

I NEED MORE TIME TO REST...
COME ON, DON'T BE LAZY. OFF TO WORK YOU GO.
I'LL EAT THE APPLE AND FALL ASLEEP. AND THEN, MY HANDSOME PRINCE WILL COME
I'M PRETTY SURE I'VE BROUGHT IT WITH ME
WHERE IS SHE?
BUT THE WITCH DOLL...
THE APPLE IS READY
THE WITCH WILL BRING YOU THE APPLE
NO NEED. THIS IS MY DREAM
DON'T COME HERE BY YOURSELF!
WHERE'S THE APPLE?
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
THIS IS TIME FOR PRINCE KAWARU TO SHINE
SHE ATE IT AND FELL ASLEEP

THE PRINCE IS HERE. I'M GETTING NERVOUS.
THIS CLOTH SUITS ME PERFECTLY!
I CAN'T KISS HER AT THIS POINT.
SHE BUMPED INTO THE TREE AND HAS LOST CONSCIOUSNESS.
KYAAAAAAA!
WHAT IS THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN!?
POOR GIRL. YOU JUST HAD A NIGHTMARE.
THE PRINCE LOOKED EXACTLY LIKE KAWARU-SAN.

# A HELPFUL BAKERU'S FAMILY


IT'S KINDA SCARY
AGAIN WITH THE NOISE
IT CAME FROM THIS HOUSE
SINCE DOG'S EARS ARE SENSITIVE...
I'VE ALWAYS HEARD IT RECENTLY.
I WONDER WHERE'S THE OWNER OF THE HOUSE?
THE LETTER BOX IS FULL.

I AGREE
BUT I DON'T WANT TO BUG HIM EITHER HE'S SCARY.
THAT OLD MAN LIVES BY HIMSELF. DON'T TELL ME...
IT'S BEEN 3 DAYS HE HASN'T OPENED THE WINDOWS FOR THE WHOLE 3 DAYS
NO. I CAN FEEL IT. SOMEONE'S INSIDE.
YEAH, MAYBE
MAYBE HE'S JUST OUT OF TOWN
ムクムク
チョー
IS THERE ANY OTHER WAY TO COME IN?
HE'S LOCKED THE DOOR.
ドンドン
GOOD AFTERNOON!

THE HOUSE IS SO DIRTY AND DARK
UGH...
UGH, UGH...
NO... I...
ARE YOU A THIEF?
YOU ENTERED MY HOUSE WITHOUT PERMISSION...
WHO IS IT?
LEAVE ME ALONE!
ARE YOU SICK? WHY DON'T YOU JUST LAY DOWN...?

HAVE YOU EATEN SOME-THING? ANY-THING?
WHY DON'T YOU CALL A DOCTOR?
HAH, HAH, HAH...
I DON'T NEED ANYONE'S HELP...
OKAY, OKAY!
JUST GO HOME ALREADY!
SHUT UP!
NOBODY SEEMS TO TAKE A GOOD CARE OF HIM.
HE'LL DIE SOONER OR LATER.
BUT.
チョン
THERE'S SOMEONE WHO NEEDS YOUR ATTEN-TION HERE
DOCTOR?
WHAT A PAIN IN THE NECK

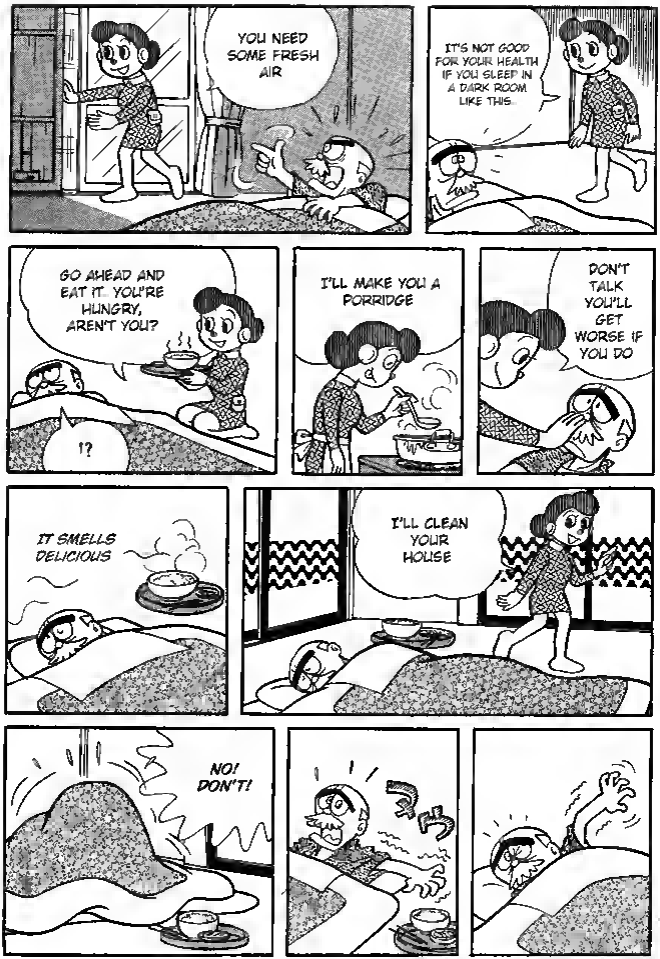
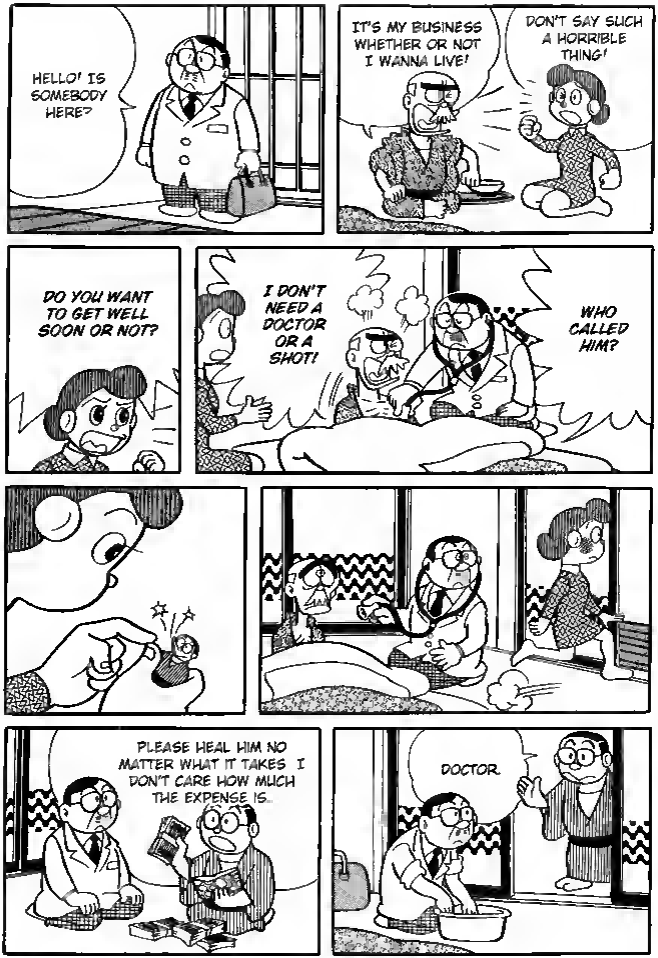
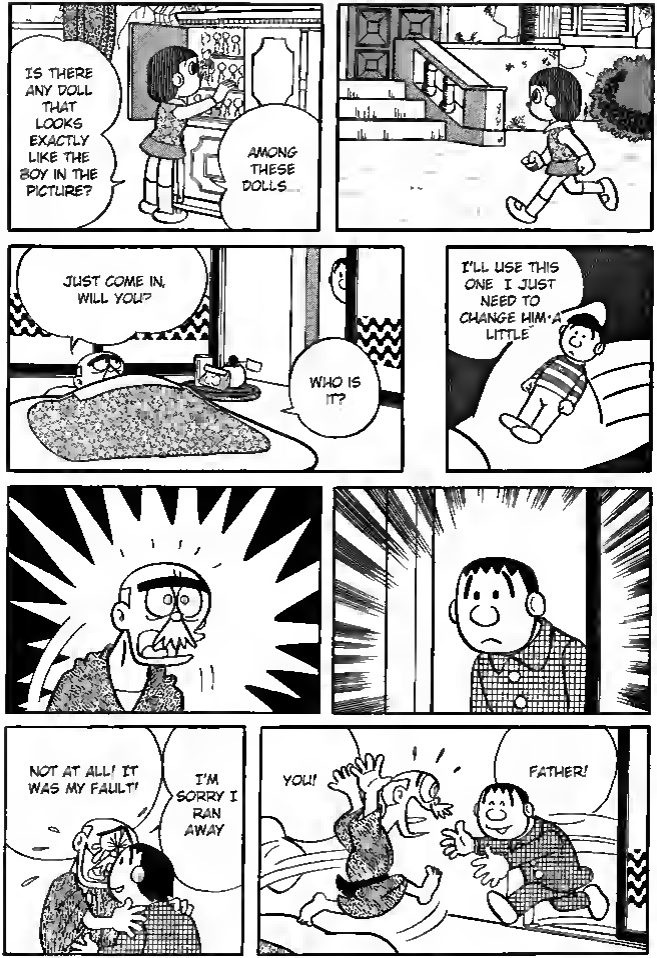

YOU NEED SOME FRESH AIR
IT'S NOT GOOD FOR YOUR HEALTH IF YOU SLEEP IN A DARK ROOM LIKE THIS.
GO AHEAD AND EAT IT. YOU'RE HUNGRY, AREN'T YOU?
!?
I'LL MAKE YOU A PORRIDGE
DON'T TALK YOU'LL GET WORSE IF YOU DO
IT SMELLS DELICIOUS
I'LL CLEAN YOUR HOUSE
NO! DON'T!

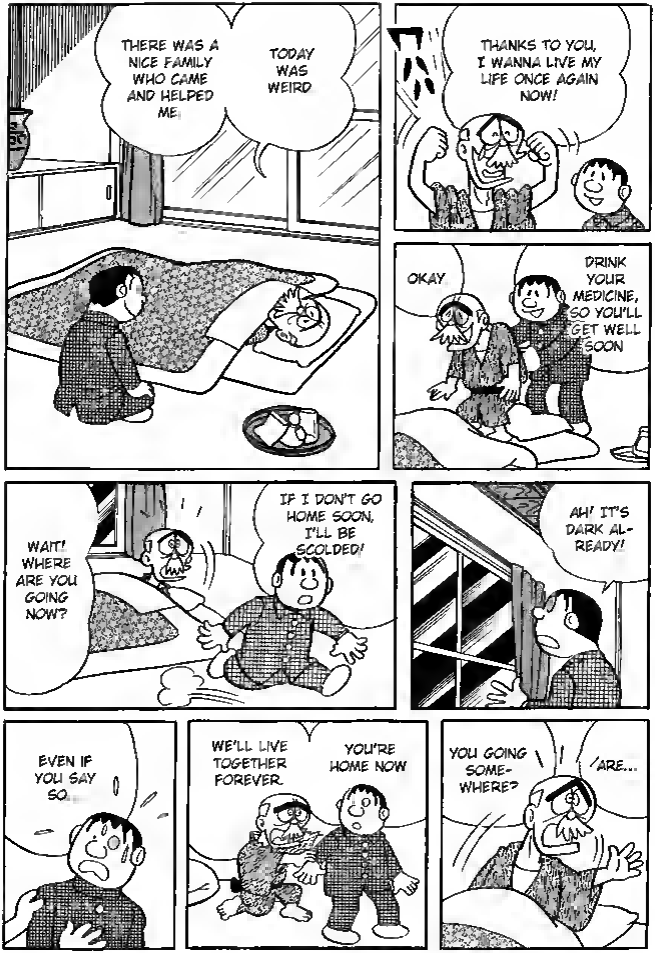
PHOTO ALBUM
...
BUT HE DOESN'T HAVE A FAMILY, DOES HE?
THIS LOOKS LIKE A BOY'S ROOM.
I'M SO PATHETIC.
DID YOU EAT THE PORRIDGE YET?
I CLEANED THE ROOM ALREADY.
THAT WAY, I COULD DIE IN PEACE
I WAS SO GLAD WHEN I KNEW THAT I WAS ILL
I FINALLY ATE THE PORRIDGE.


HELLO! IS SOMEBODY HERE?
IT'S MY BUSINESS WHETHER OR NOT I WANNA LIVE!
DON'T SAY SUCH A HORRIBLE THING!
DO YOU WANT TO GET WELL SOON OR NOT?
I DON'T NEED A DOCTOR OR A SHOT!
WHO CALLED HIM?
PLEASE HEAL HIM NO MATTER WHAT IT TAKES I DON'T CARE HOW MUCH THE EXPENSE IS.
DOCTOR.

HIS PROBLEM IS BECAUSE HE DOESN'T HAVE A DESIRE TO LIVE ANYMORE.
I'M GOING TO TELL YOU THIS. IT'S TRUE THAT HIS BODY IS WEAK, BUT HIS ILLNESS IS NOT THE PROBLEM HERE.
YOU CAN'T BUY SOMEONE'S LIFE WITH MONEY, SIR
I'LL TRY
IF YOU WANT TO CURE HIM, YOU NEED TO GIVE HIM ANOTHER HOPE.
HE'S LOST ALL THE HOPE TO LIVE ON.
DESPICABLE!
JUST TELL ME I'LL BUY YOU EVERYTHING YOU WANT
WHAT'S YOUR HOPE?
I'M NOT A BEGGAR!

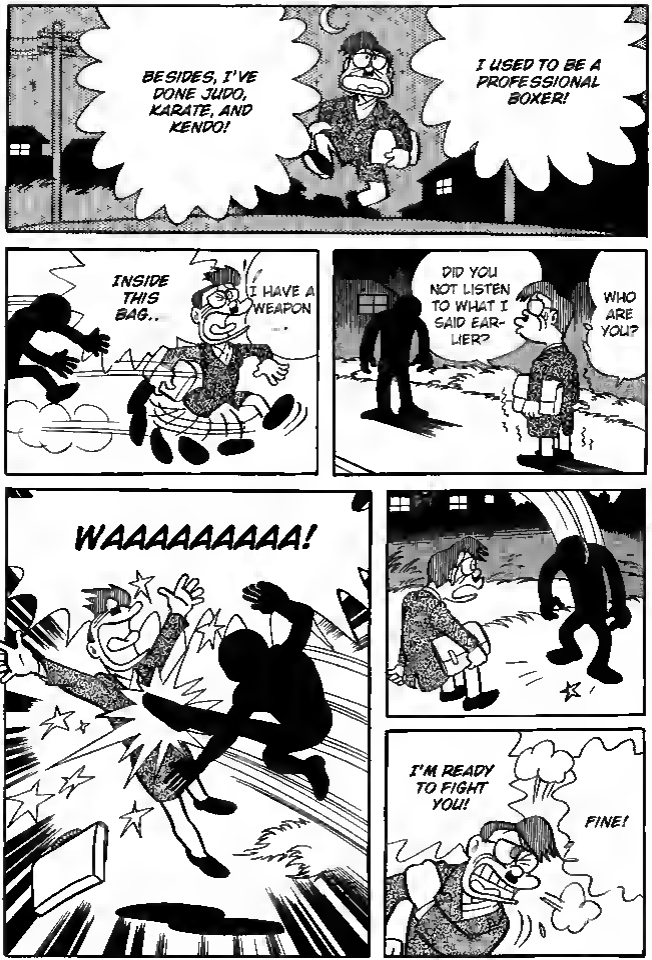
I'M SORRY FOR EVERY-THING HE SAID.
HE'S MY FATHER
MAYBE I SHOULD TURN INTO YUMEYO INSTEAD.
I JUST INSULTED HIM.
DRINK THIS MEDICINE.
PLEASE...
I DON'T HAVE ENERGY TO SHOUT ANYMORE
JUST HOW MANY OF YOU OUT THERE, PEOPLE!?
HE'S MY ONLY SON
DID YOU SEE THE PICTURE INSIDE THE ALBUM?
HE RAN AWAY FROM HOME AND I HAVE NO IDEA WHERE HE IS RIGHT NOW.
IF HE RE-TURNS, I'LL LEARN TO CONTROL MY TEMPER
I WAS ALWAYS MAD AT HIM
IT WAS MY FAULT.


IS THERE ANY DOLL THAT LOOKS EXACTLY LIKE THE BOY IN THE PICTURE?
AMONG THESE DOLLS...
JUST COME IN, WILL YOU?
WHO IS IT?
I'LL USE THIS ONE I JUST NEED TO CHANGE HIM A LITTLE
NOT AT ALL! IT WAS MY FAULT!
I'M SORRY I RAN AWAY
YOU!
FATHER!

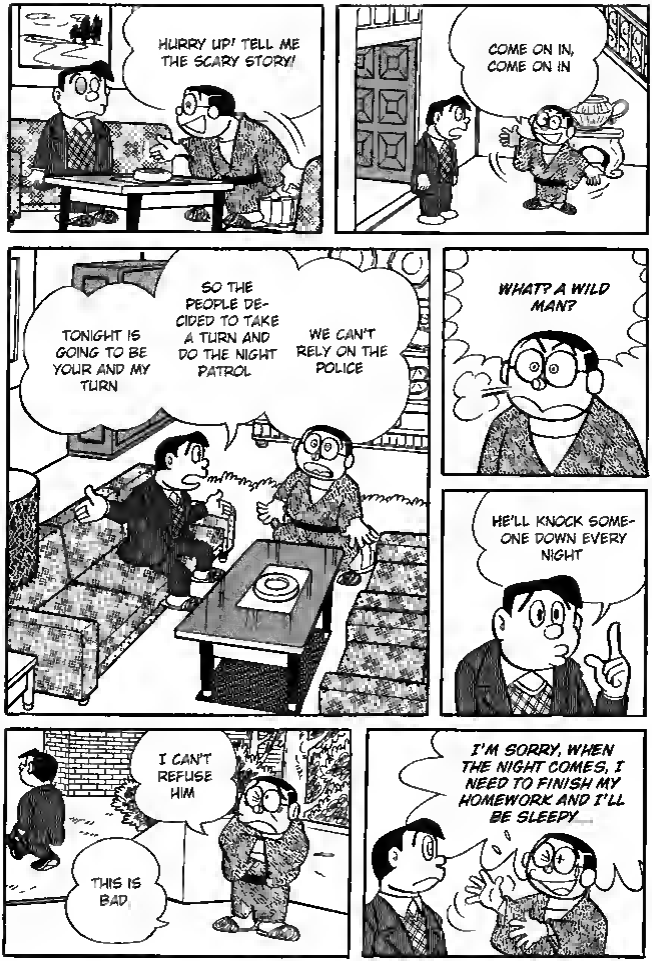

THERE WAS A NICE FAMILY WHO CAME AND HELPED ME.
TODAY WAS WEIRD
THANKS TO YOU, I WANNA LIVE MY LIFE ONCE AGAIN NOW!
OKAY
DRINK YOUR MEDICINE, SO YOU'LL GET WELL SOON
WAIT! WHERE ARE YOU GOING NOW?
IF I DON'T GO HOME SOON, I'LL BE SCOLDED!
AH! IT'S DARK ALREADY!
EVEN IF YOU SAY SO...
WE'LL LIVE TOGETHER FOREVER.
YOU'RE HOME NOW
YOU GOING SOMEWHERE?
/ARE...

IF YOU GO, I'LL DIE!
I'LL COME BACK AGAIN.
I CAN'T STAY AT HIS HOUSE FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE
STOP JOKING
WHAT SHOULD I DO NOW?
チョン
YAY! HE'S BACK!
AH, WELL...
I'M CONFUSED.
I CAME HERE BECAUSE I HAD A DREAM ABOUT MY FATHER. BUT I'M SCARED TO COME IN ..

# A WILD MAN IN THE DARKNESS


BESIDES, I'VE DONE JUDO, KARATE, AND KENDO!
I USED TO BE A PROFESSIONAL BOXER!
INSIDE THIS BAG..
I HAVE A WEAPON
DID YOU NOT LISTEN TO WHAT I SAID EARLIER?
WHO ARE YOU?
WAAAAAAAAA!
I'M READY TO FIGHT YOU!
FINE!

IT'S BEEN QUITE DANGER-OUS LATELY.
WE'RE COUNT-ING ON YOU
YES, THAT'S OUR DECISION.
BASED ON THE NEIGHBOR MEETING?
YOU BETTER DO YOUR HOME-WORK.
THIS IS NONE OF YOUR BUSI-NESS
WHAT IS IT?
THAT'S SCARY
SEE? IN THE END, YOU'LL NEED TO TELL ME ALL ABOUT IT ANYWAY.
BE CARE-FUL
I'LL GO TO BAKETA-SAN'S HOUSE AND TELL HIM ABOUT IT
CHANGE INTO BAKETA-SAN


HURRY UP! TELL ME THE SCARY STORY!
COME ON IN, COME ON IN
TONIGHT IS GOING TO BE YOUR AND MY TURN
SO THE PEOPLE DECIDED TO TAKE A TURN AND DO THE NIGHT PATROL
WE CAN'T RELY ON THE POLICE
WHAT? A WILD MAN?
HE'LL KNOCK SOMEONE DOWN EVERY NIGHT
I CAN'T REFUSE HIM
THIS IS BAD
I'M SORRY, WHEN THE NIGHT COMES, I NEED TO FINISH MY HOMEWORK AND I'LL BE SLEEPY

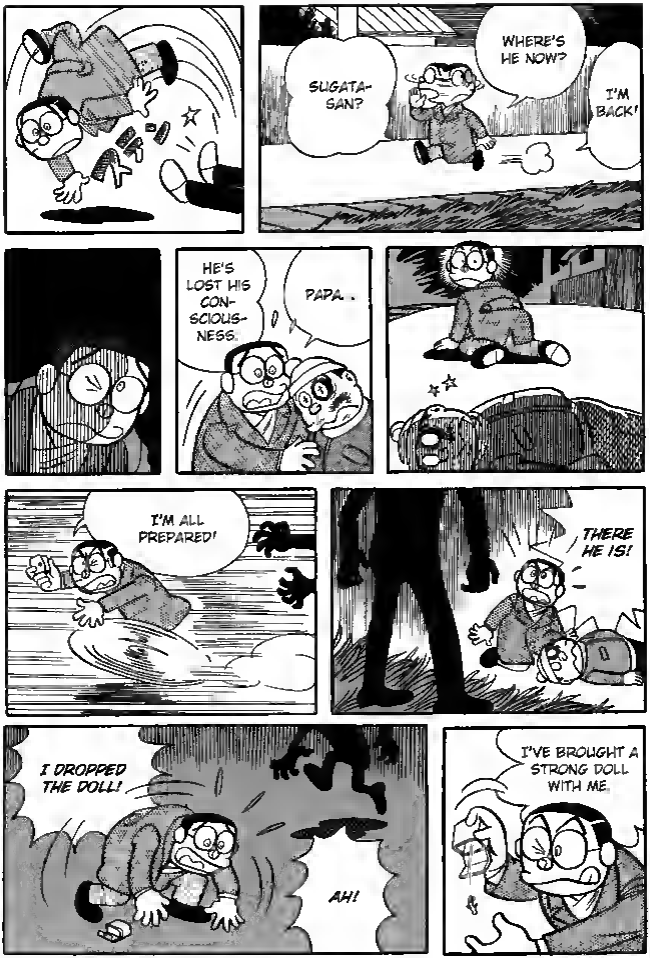
KARATE! IF YOU WANT TO BE STRONG, COME TO THE OCHIMI DOJO AND LEARN! YOU WON'T NEED TO BE AFRAID OF ANYTHING FROM NOW ON!
SHOULD I BUY A BAMBOO SWORD?
I CAN'T FIGHT ANYONE
THEN, WHO ANSWERED ME?
NOBODY'S HOME
THIS PLACE LOOKS PATHETIC
EXCUSE ME
IN THAT CASE WHAT DO YOU WANT FROM ME?
THIS IS NOT ABOUT THE BILLS!
I DON'T HAVE MONEY TO PAY THE ELECTRICITY, WATER, AND GAS BILLS EITHER
I'M NOT HERE FOR THE SAKE BILL
I DON'T HAVE MONEY TO PAY THE SAKE BILL
AWESOME! I LOVE YOU!
YOU CAME TO BE MY STUDENT?
BUT IT MIGHT BE...
IMPOSSIBLE
COULD IT BE...

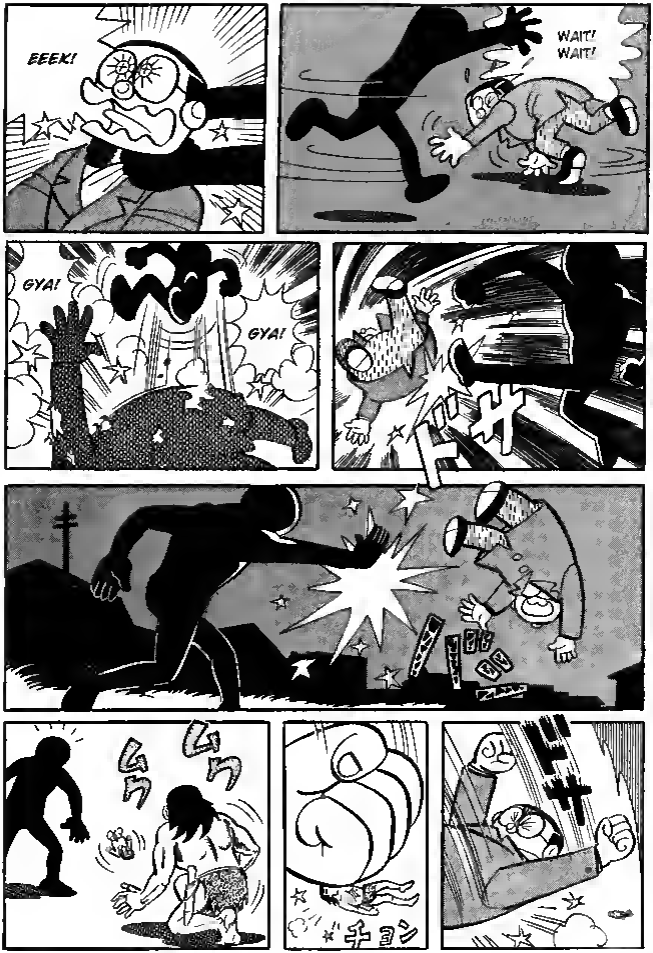
THE PROBLEM IS THE TUITION. YOU NEED TO PAY IT AHEAD OF TIME FOR HALF A YEAR COURSE. IF YOU WANNA BE STRONG SOONER, YOU'LL NEED TO PAY SOME EXTRA MONEY TOO
DON'T WORRY
I WANNA BE STRONG BEFORE THE NIGHT COMES
IF I'M YOUR TEACHER, YOU CAN BE STRONG IN NO TIME
TH... THANK YOU
IT'S EXPEN-SIVE!
IN THAT CASE, 300,000 YEN
NAME YOUR PRICE
HOW MUCH MONEY DO YOU HAVE?
NO KIDDING. I WANNA BE STRONG SOON
THAT'S NOT IMPOR-TANT
HEY, WHAT ABOUT THE TRAINING?
FINALLY, I CAN DRINK SAKE!
WE'RE DONE FOR TODAY
I WANNA DRINK NOW
ドオオオ
ドオオオ

I NEED TO FIX IT WITH GLUE AND RE-PAINT IT
THE DOLL IS MESSED UP TOO
I CAN'T MOVE MY BODY
WHAT AN ANNOYING TEACHER HE IS
I HAVE A WAY TO BEAT THAT MYSTERIOUS MAN.
DON'T WORRY
I CAN'T RUN AWAY FROM MY DUTY
WHAT SHOULD I DO?
THAT'S IT! I'LL TURN INTO YUMEYO FIRST!
WHEN HE SHOWS UP, JUST RUN AWAY.
I KNOW.
DON'T SCARE ME LIKE THAT!
BE CAREFUL I HEARD HE'S AS STRONG AS A MONSTER

OKAY WAIT!
IT'S TIME TO GO NOW!
HELLO!
YOU'VE BROUGHT EVERYONE WITH YOU?
I'M READY
BLUE SKY, LALALA, EVERY-ONE, MARCH DOWN WITH ALL YOUR MIGHT.
IT'S LIKE A PICNIC.
LET'S HAVE SOME FUN!
WE'VE ALSO BROUGHT SOME FOOD AND HOT TEA!

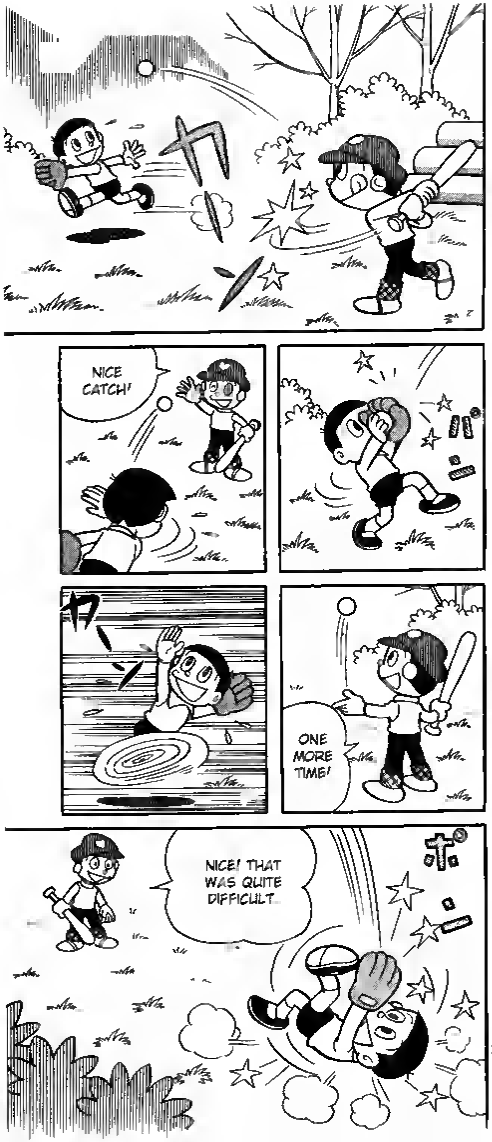
YOU'RE PATROLLING TO FIGHT THE BAD MAN?
THAT'S GOOD, BUT. .
HEY, DON'T BE NOISY AT A TIME LIKE THIS
PLEASE EXCUSE US
IT'LL BE DANGEROUS FOR THE WOMAN AND CHILDREN YOU BETTER GO HOME NOW
BRRR IT'S SO COLD...
WAAA! HE'S COMING!
KEEEEEEEEE!


SUGATA-SAN?
WHERE'S HE NOW?
I'M BACK!
HE'S LOST HIS CON-SCIOUS-NESS.
PAPA..
I'M ALL PREPARED!
THERE HE IS!
I DROPPED THE DOLL!
AH!
I'VE BROUGHT A STRONG DOLL WITH ME.


EEEK!
WAIT!
WAIT!
GYA!
GYA!
ドオ
ムウ
ムウ
チョン
ドオ

I'M THE KING OF THE JUNGLE.
TARZAN!
WHO ... ARE YOU?
I'M ASHAMED
THE KARATE TEACH-ER?
SHOW ME YOUR FACE!

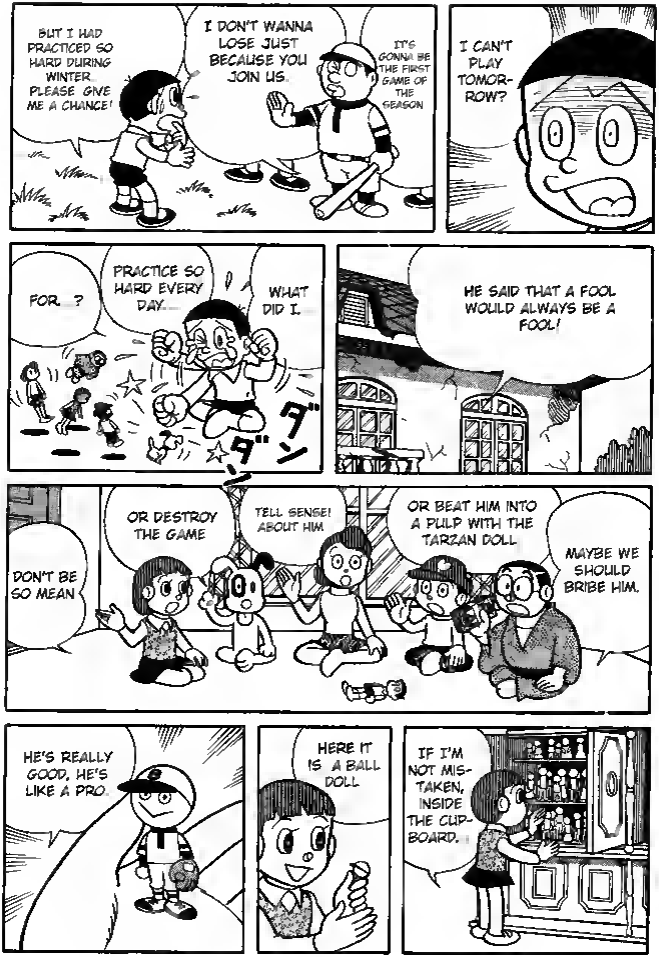
NOBODY WANTS TO COME TO YOUR DOJO BECAUSE YOU'RE GREEDY AND UNKIND!
THAT'S RIDICULOUS!
I THOUGHT IF I MADE THEM FEEL UNSECURED, THEY WOULD HAVE FINALLY COME AND LEARNED AT MY DOJO
BECAUSE NOBODY CAME TO MY DOJO .
ドサドサ
I'M SO PATHETIC!
YOU'RE RIGHT!
I WAS WRONG I SHOULDN'T HAVE BEEN NAKED IN THE MIDDLE OF THE WINTER NIGHT.
COUGH, COUGH
BUILD A NEW DOJO AND START OVER!
OOOO!
ACHOO!

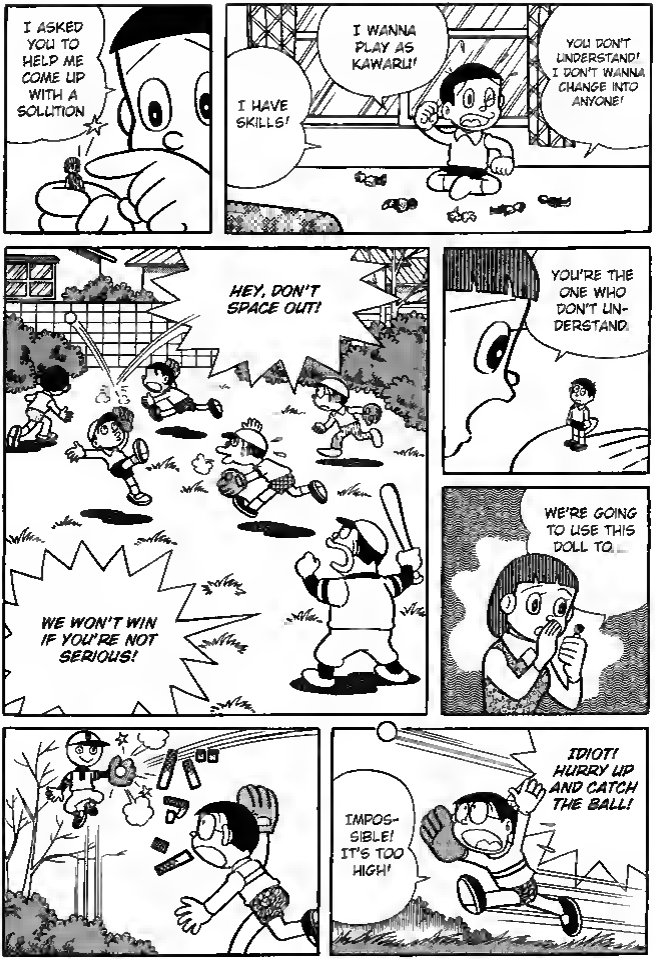


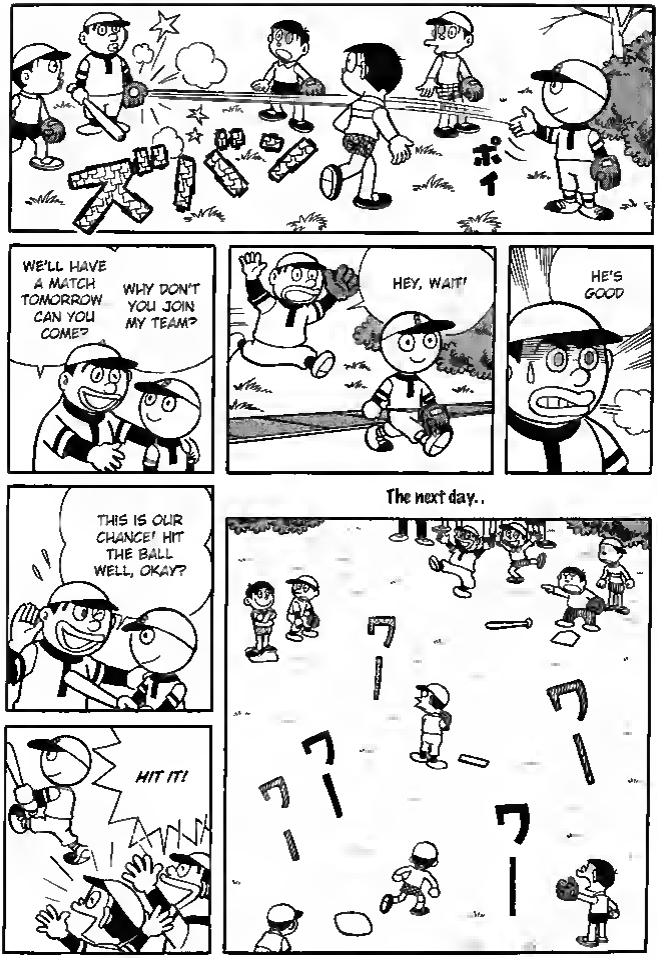

# FINALLY, KAWARU HAS BECOME REGULAR

DON'T TAKE YOUR EYES OFF OF THE BALL
I KNOW
OKAY
NOW, TEACH ME HOW TO HIT
THAT'S WAY TOO FAR!
WOW!
BUT THE DOG IS ME ANYWAY
THANK YOU

THAT WAS DANGEROUS!
WHO IS IT?
FROM THE FIELD?
AH, BAKERU-SAN'S DOG
YOU USED TO BE BAD AT BASEBALL. BUT YOU'VE PRACTICED HARD.
KAWARU-SAN, YOU'RE AMAZING
IT FELL TO YOUR HOUSE?
WHAT?
KAWARU-SAN, YOU HIT THE BALL?
I HOPE SO.
I'M SURE YOU'LL BE A REGULAR SOON.
SO THEY'LL ALLOW ME TO JOIN THE MATCH SOMEDAY?
I'VE BEEN PRACTICING...


BUT I HAD PRACTICED SO HARD DURING WINTER. PLEASE GIVE ME A CHANCE!
I DON'T WANNA LOSE JUST BECAUSE YOU JOIN US.
IT'S GONNA BE THE FIRST GAME OF THE SEASON
I CAN'T PLAY TOMOR-ROW?
FOR...?
PRACTICE SO HARD EVERY DAY...
WHAT DID I...
ダン
HE SAID THAT A FOOL WOULD ALWAYS BE A FOOL!
DON'T BE SO MEAN
OR DESTROY THE GAME
TELL SENSEI ABOUT HIM.
OR BEAT HIM INTO A PULP WITH THE TARZAN DOLL
MAYBE WE SHOULD BRIBE HIM.
HE'S REALLY GOOD. HE'S LIKE A PRO.
HERE IT IS. A BALL DOLL
IF I'M NOT MIS-TAKEN, INSIDE THE CUP-BOARD.

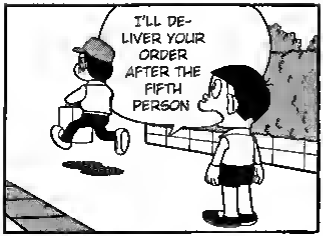

I ASKED YOU TO HELP ME COME UP WITH A SOLUTION
I HAVE SKILLS!
I WANNA PLAY AS KAWARU!
YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND! I DON'T WANNA CHANGE INTO ANYONE!
HEY, DON'T SPACE OUT!
WE WON'T WIN IF YOU'RE NOT SERIOUS!
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO DON'T UNDERSTAND.
WE'RE GOING TO USE THIS DOLL TO...
IMPOSSIBLE! IT'S TOO HIGH!
IDIOT! HURRY UP AND CATCH THE BALL!

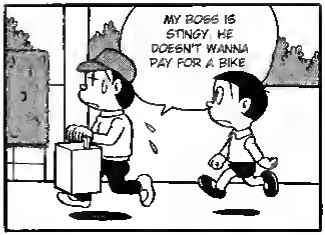

ポイ
WE'LL HAVE A MATCH TOMORROW CAN YOU COME?
WHY DON'T YOU JOIN MY TEAM?
HEY, WAIT!
HE'S GOOD
THIS IS OUR CHANCE! HIT THE BALL WELL, OKAY?
HIT IT!
The next day..

HE LOOKS SO WEIRD.
KAWARU! GET OUT!
AH!
CON-GRATS, KAWARU-SAN
FROM NOW ON, YOU'LL BE OUR HITTER.
THANKS TO KAWARU, WE WON THE MATCH TODAY!

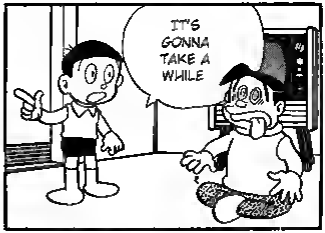
# A COCKROACH NOODLE

IT TAKES FOREVER
WE DELIVERED IT ALREADY .. HANG UP
WHAT ABOUT OUR ORDER?
I'LL CALL THEM BACK!
IT'S BEEN AN HOUR SINCE WE ORDERED THE NOODLE
SORRY. THIS ISN'T FOR YOU
THERE YOU GO! I ALMOST DIED!
IF YOU RIDE A BIKE, WON'T IT BE MUCH FASTER?
I'M THE ONLY DELIVERY MAN
SORRY
WHY DID IT TAKE A LONG TIME TO DELIVER IT?

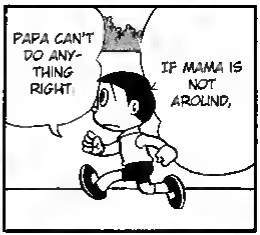

I'LL DE-
LIVER YOUR
ORDER
AFTER THE
FIFTH
PERSON

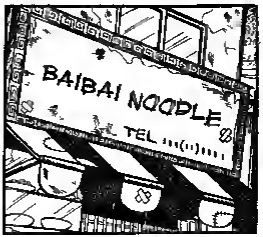

MY BOSS IS
STINGY. HE
DOESN'T WANNA
PAY FOR A BIKE

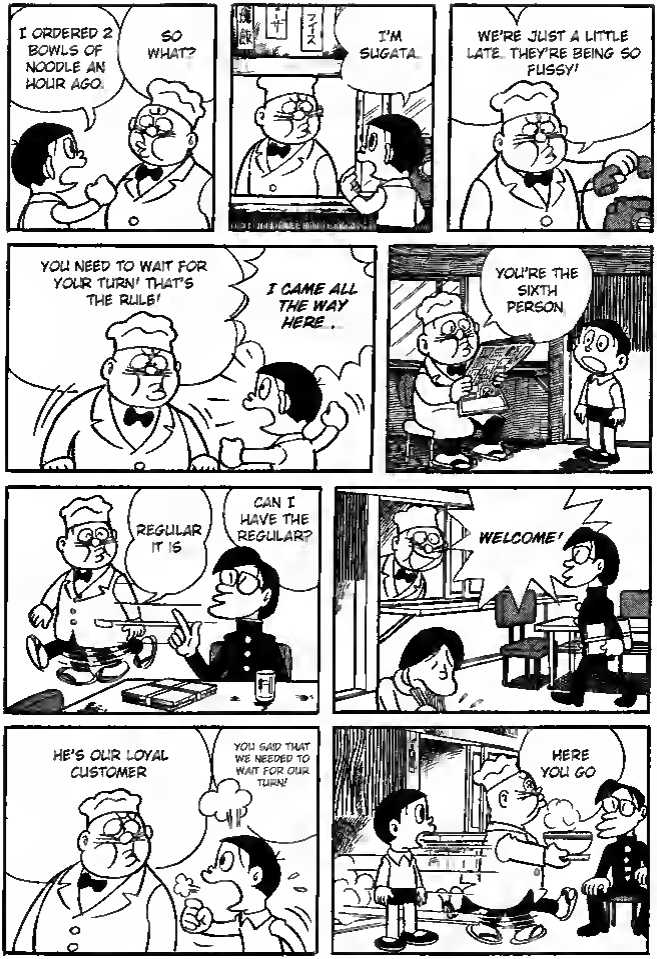
I'LL
TAKE IT
MYSELF
I'M
DYING


IT'S
GONNA
TAKE A
WHILE

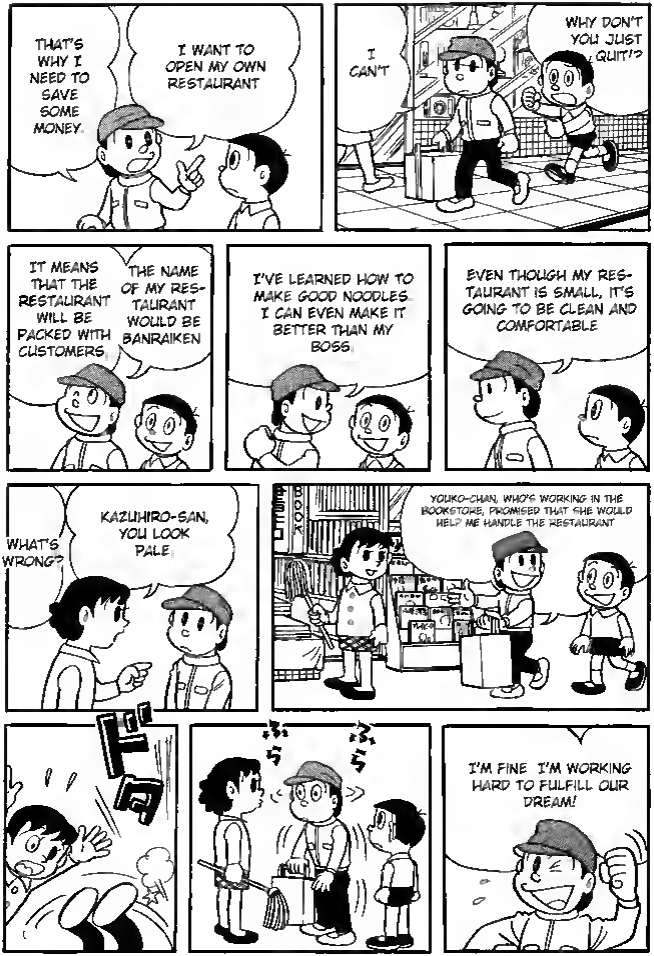
WE DELIVERED IT
ALREADY....


PAPA CAN'T
DO ANY-
THING
RIGHT
IF MAMA IS
NOT
AROUND,

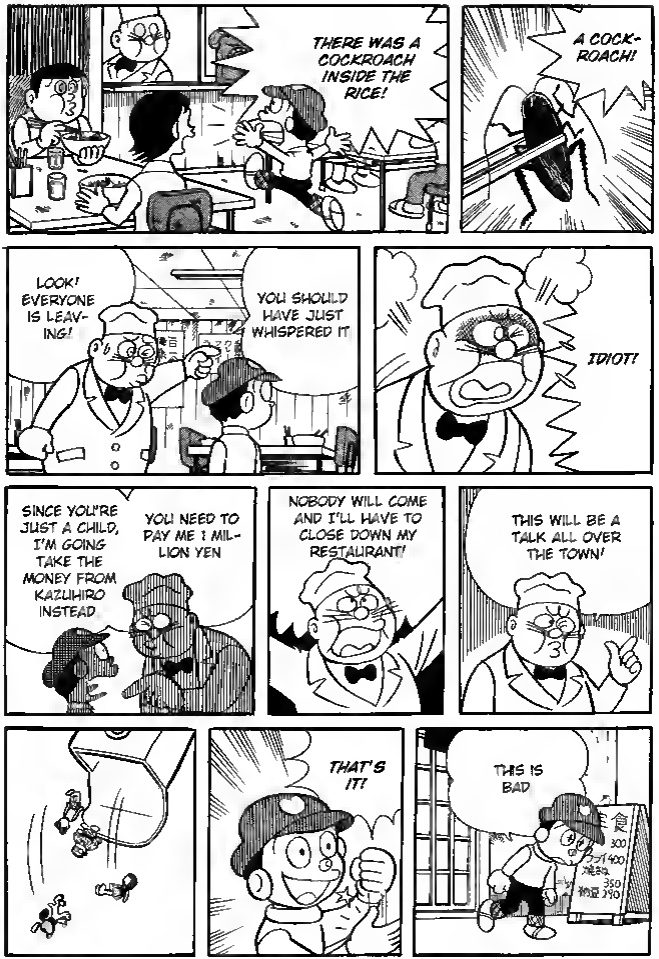

BAIBAI NOODLE
TEL

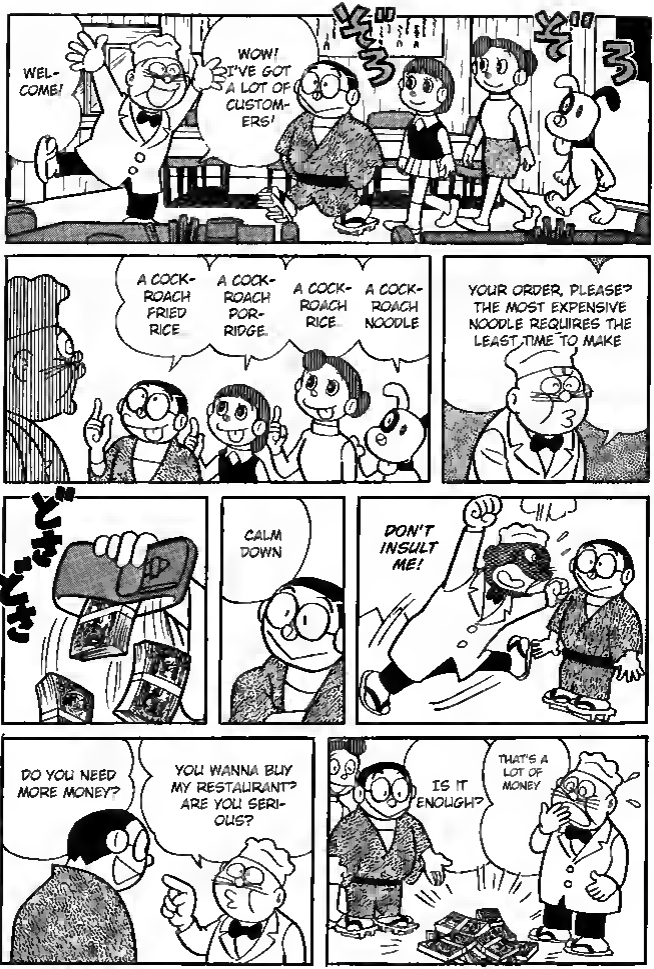

I ORDERED 2 BOWLS OF NOODLE AN HOUR AGO.
SO WHAT?
I'M SUGATA..
WE'RE JUST A LITTLE LATE. THEY'RE BEING SO FUSSY!
YOU NEED TO WAIT FOR YOUR TURN! THAT'S THE RULE!
I CAME ALL THE WAY HERE..
YOU'RE THE SIXTH PERSON
REGULAR IT IS
CAN I HAVE THE REGULAR?
WELCOME!
HE'S OUR LOYAL CUSTOMER
YOU SAID THAT WE NEEDED TO WAIT FOR OUR TURN!
HERE YOU GO

SUCH A WASTE
I CAN'T EAT IT.
THE NOODLE TASTES GROSS
WHERE'VE YOU BEEN?
YOU TOOK FOR-EVER
HERE'S A BOWL OF NOODLE. YOU CAN TAKE IT
I'VE DONE THIS SINCE MORNING. MY LEGS ARE CRAMPING AND MY HEAD HURTS
BOSS, I NEED TO TAKE 5 MIN-UTES BREAK.
NEXT ARE THESE MEAT RICE BOWLS FOR TAKEYAMA FAMILY
YOU CAN QUIT ANY-TIME
I'M GOING NOW.
I'M NOT GONNA LIKE YOU ANYMORE.
IF YOU'RE LAZY..


THAT'S WHY I NEED TO SAVE SOME MONEY.
I WANT TO OPEN MY OWN RESTAURANT
I CAN'T
WHY DON'T YOU JUST QUIT!?
IT MEANS THAT THE RESTAURANT WILL BE PACKED WITH CUSTOMERS.
THE NAME OF MY RESTAURANT WOULD BE BANRAIKEN
I'VE LEARNED HOW TO MAKE GOOD NOODLES. I CAN EVEN MAKE IT BETTER THAN MY BOSS.
EVEN THOUGH MY RESTAURANT IS SMALL, IT'S GOING TO BE CLEAN AND COMFORTABLE
WHAT'S WRONG?
KAZUHIRO-SAN, YOU LOOK PALE.
YOUKO-CHAN, WHO'S WORKING IN THE BOOKSTORE, PROMISED THAT SHE WOULD HELP ME HANDLE THE RESTAURANT
BOOKS
ドタ
I'M FINE I'M WORKING HARD TO FULFILL OUR DREAM!

BUT YOU NEED TO REST A BIT.
IF I DON'T WORK, I'LL GET FIRED.
LET HIM REST INSIDE
HE'S TOO TIRED
IS FOR BAKERU.
BUT THIS JOB...
I'LL DO HIS JOB
EXCUSE ME, BUT I HAVEN'T GOT MY NOO-DLES TOO, OKAY?
YOU TOOK FOREVER!
WHERE'S TAKEYAMA -SAN'S FAMILY?
WAIT! LOOK AT THIS RICE!
I HAVE TO DELIVER FOR 4 MORE PEOPLE BEFORE I CAN EAT MY NOODLE


THERE WAS A COCKROACH INSIDE THE RICE!
A COCK-ROACH!
LOOK! EVERYONE IS LEAV-ING!
YOU SHOULD HAVE JUST WHISPERED IT
IDIOT!
SINCE YOU'RE JUST A CHILD, I'M GOING TAKE THE MONEY FROM KAZUHIRO INSTEAD
YOU NEED TO PAY ME 1 MIL-LION YEN
NOBODY WILL COME AND I'LL HAVE TO CLOSE DOWN MY RESTAURANT!
THIS WILL BE A TALK ALL OVER THE TOWN!
THAT'S IT!
THIS IS BAD


WEL-COMB!
WOW! I'VE GOT A LOT OF CUSTOM-ERS!
そろ
そろ
ろ
A COCK-ROACH FRIED RICE
A COCK-ROACH POR-RIDGE
A COCK-ROACH RICE
A COCK-ROACH NOODLE
YOUR ORDER, PLEASE? THE MOST EXPENSIVE NOODLE REQUIRES THE LEAST TIME TO MAKE
どさ
どさ
CALM DOWN
DON'T INSULT ME!
DO YOU NEED MORE MONEY?
YOU WANNA BUY MY RESTAURANT? ARE YOU SERI-OUS?
IS IT ENOUGH?
THAT'S A LOT OF MONEY

LET'S CLEAN THIS PLACE TOGETHER!
I DON'T NEED TO WORK ANYMORE!
HOORAY!
BANRAIKEN
HUH?
I'LL ASK HIM TO NOT FIRE YOU
I'LL GET FIRED FOR TAKING A LONG BREAK
WHERE'S MY BOSS?
WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN? YOU LET YOUR CUSTOMERS HUNGRY
FROM NOW ON, YOU CAN DO WHATEVER YOU WANT
HE QUIT BECAUSE HE WAS BORED OF WHAT HE DID

YOU'RE NOT! HURRY UP! I'M SO STARVING!
AM I DREAM-ING?
FINALLY, YOU HAVE YOUR OWN RESTAURANT.
THIS IS THE BEST NOODLE I'VE EVER EATEN!
DELI-COUS!
THE BEST NOODLE IN JAPAN!
IN THAT CASE, I'LL MAKE NOODLES RIGHT AWAY!
I COM-PLETELY FORGOT ABOUT PAPA.
UGH...
THAT RESTAURANT WILL BE PACKED WITH CUSTOMERS FOR SURE!
UGH...